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# CEASE FIRE PLEA MacArthur Waits For

## Record Steel Output

London, Dec. 12. Britain's steel output in November reached its highest rate ever, the British Iron and Steel Federation announced tonight.

It was 17,472,000 tons compared with the previous best month last March of 17,147,000 tons.

The previous best November was last year with 16,358,000 tons.—Reuter.

## Nationalists Or Reds To Sit On UN?

New York, Dec. 12. The UN General Assembly today created a seven nation committee to study the China representation question and report back before the end of this session.

The question before the Committee will be: Shall Nationalist China continue to sit in the UN or shall the Chinese seat be given to the Communist regime?

The Assembly voted the following countries to the Committee: Canada, Ecuador, India, Mexico, Philippines and Poland. Only two of these—India and Poland—have recognised Red China.—Associated Press.

## U.S. Cabinet Meeting

Washington, Dec. 12. President Truman was with the Cabinet for nearly an hour today discussing the present emergency. Later he talked with the heads of the Economic Stabilisation Programme and National Security Resources Board. White House officials who declined to be identified, said that wage and price control are inevitable and that every effort will be made to speed the machinery to effect them.—Associated Press.

## President Truman To Broadcast

Washington, Dec. 12. President Harry Truman is arranging to address the American people by radio on Friday or Saturday night on the world situation and the home front steps he believes are necessary as a result of the threat of war.—Associated Press.

## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### The Industrial Outlook

THE industrial outlook for the next twelve months or so has seldom been harder to decipher. At present the dominating note is one of shortage. In America, restrictions on the use of steel, natural rubber and on luxury building have been imposed; in Britain zinc is already rationed and there have been warnings that other restrictions will be necessary—that will affect general living standards; internationally, a scheme for allocating to America a priority of nearly 600,000 bales of wool is to be examined with the three wool-producing Commonwealth countries. At present, moreover, rearmament has scarcely made itself felt. These and other shortages have appeared as the result only of commercial demand, plus world stockpiling. What will happen when rearmament really gets under way? On the other hand, even bearing in mind the rearmament to come, world commodity prices—with some exceptions—are obviously vulnerable. The high prices of some commodities—rubber and tin are examples—are certainly due to the snowball effect of stockpiling on top of commercial demand. Stockpiling not only mops up surplus production, it creates a shortage psychology as well: hence the recent forward buying of sterling area commodities. What would happen if some slight recession in America, remote though it now seems, should change business sentiment and put a real brake on commercial buying? Most American stocks now, it is true,

## ENDORSED But US Bars Any Political Decisions

Lake Success, Dec. 12. The United States and Britain today endorsed a proposal by 13 Asian and Middle East countries for the United Nations to see if there can be a cease fire in Korea. The United States, however, barred any political decisions on the Far East until a cease fire is in full effect.

The proposal was laid before the UN Assembly's Political Committee by India's Sir Benegal Rau. Sir Benegal told the delegates that China apparently is moving toward a Monroe Doctrine for the Far East. He said also that Red China's ambassador here, General Wu Hsiuchuan, had told him that Peking wants peace.

## Situation "Calmer" In Singapore

Singapore, Dec. 12. The Singapore Government said tonight that the curfew order does not mean the situation is deteriorating.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr W. L. Blythe said that the situation is calmer, but warned the population not to ignore the curfew because the security forces will shoot if necessary.

If the situation demands more military reinforcements, they will be made available to see that law and order is restored, he added.

The military fire-charging move in the Eastern section of the town was unavoidable and four Chinese are reported to have been killed.

Efforts to calm the Moslems are being made by their leaders, and Mr Bin Jafar, President of the United Malays National Organisation has broadcast an appeal to keep calm and not to aggravate the situation further.—Associated Press.

## Call-Up Doubled

Washington, Dec. 12. The United States Government today doubled its January call for conscripts for the armed services to 80,000 men and at the same time, boosted its February total from 50,000 to 80,000 men.—Reuter.

## Bertha With Her Mother



Here, on the right, is the little girl over whom Moslems in Singapore have engaged in riots during the past two days which have resulted in 12 people being killed and 200 injured. She is Maria Bertha Hertogh and she is pictured here with her mother after their reconciliation following a court decision that Bertha was to return to the custody of her parent.—London Express Service.

## Chinese Moving Troops Toward Central Korea

Tokyo, Dec. 13. A quarter million or more Chinese Communist troops shifted the ponderous bulk of their forces toward mountainous central Korea on Tuesday, possibly for another great flanking drive against United Nations troops in the west.

Although a fog of security blotted out most troops dispositions, it was believed here that the US Eighth Army now retains only a too-hold north of the 38th Parallel.

In the northeast, the US Tenth Corps held grimly to a slender bridgehead in the Hamhung-Hungnam escape position on the Sea of Japan, with an evacuation fleet ready if needed.

Air power remained the only United Nations offensive weapon over most of North Korea. General Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters in a war summary said the Reds were "advancing slowly with the centre of the mass increasingly veering toward the centre of the Korean peninsula."

Red China had a vanguard of 27 divisions—nine armies now on the war front at the head of the 1,000,000 men it has committed to the Korean campaign.

## Thanks For The Refund

Brisbane, Dec. 12. An anonymous taxpayer sent the Australian Commissioner of Taxes a crayfish claw with this letter: "Dear Sir: In appreciation of refund of 6/3 which you granted me this year we are enjoying a crayfish supper, which we (octet) would like you to enjoy with us. Hoping next year you will receive a whole crayfish."

In anticipation of a large return, Respectfully yours, Taxpayer.—Associated Press.

## UN VOTES A DECORATION

New York, Dec. 12. UN forces in Korea were voted a special decoration today by the General Assembly in a plenary meeting.

The vote was 38 to 5, with two abstentions, for the award of a distinguishing ribbon or other insignia for personal participation in Korea in defence of the principle of the Charter of the United Nations.

The Soviet bloc opposed, with Yugoslavia and Syria abstaining.

US delegate Benjamin Cohen told delegates in an emotional speech that an insignia was the minimum appreciation they could show for the valor and sacrifices of the UN forces.—Associated Press.

## Next Move By Chinese Reds

Tokyo, Dec. 13. With the bulk of the United Nations forces in Korea now pulled back below the 38th parallel, General MacArthur, the supreme commander, is waiting for the next move by the Chinese Red armies now strangely quiet. And when it comes he will have the answer to a question troubling the world: Will the Chinese cross the parallel and invade the South Korean Republic?

Both he and the Chinese commanders know that this may be decided in mediation talks now going on at Lake Success. These talks are largely responsible for the lull in the Korean fighting and are giving the Chinese time to regroup and bring up supplies, and the United Nations forces a respite to unravel the tangle of a hasty retreat and to consolidate defence positions.

## Father Christmas Goes To The 27th Brigade

Kure, Dec. 13. I have met an Australian major today just back from an unusual military mission. He was sent over to Korea by the Commander-in-Chief, Major-General Robertson to be a sort of Father Christmas to the British 27th Brigade.

His name is Major R.S. Connor and his real job is looking after postings, pay, leave and discipline; so that he thought it a bit odd that the General told him to pack a suitcase full of sample Christmas presents that can be bought in Japan and take it over to the 27th Brigade to collect orders.

The idea was that as the boys in the front line couldn't do any Christmas shopping themselves he should do it for them in Japan.

The major packed his bag of samples with nylons, wrist watches and silk scarves and set off. Instead of by sleigh with reindeer, he journeyed by Dakota and jeep.

The Brigade was dug in on a series of ice-crust hills and each time he called on a company the commander shouted out "Here comes Father Christmas boys" and the lads would pop out of fox-holes and come pouring down the hills.

Altogether the major took orders worth £500 from the Argylls and £225 from the Middlesex. The Argylls went in for wrist watches (£26-18-6 with 17 jewels) and the Middle-

The troops were dressed in full winter clothing and with his bag of samples and his order book the major was rather like the man from the insurance company. He had only got an ordinary army cap and greatcoat and caught a fearful cold.

But the sight of the boys tearing down the hills to give their orders was so moving that he decided the general's idea wasn't a bad one after all.

Each man who gave an order filled in the address it was going to on one side of a piece of paper and a message on the other. One fellow wrote "Love from Korea—I wish you were here."

The presents were packed up by volunteers in Japan and are already on their way home by the RAF.

I hope that the Customs people at home will remember where the parcels came from and will look the other way when they arrive.—London Express Service.

## Coal Board Loses £460,524

London, Dec. 12. The National Coal Board announced today that it lost £460,524 during the third quarter of this year.

After a big loss during the first year of State ownership of the mines, the Board reported profits in 1948 and 1949 and during the first half of this year.

The Board's statement related the loss directly to the drift of manpower from the mines, falling production led to cuts in exports and Britain sells its coal at a higher price to top overseas buyers than to those at home.

The average number of workers at 894,000 represented a drop of 24,000 over the year.

Output is going up, however, since the crisis call to miners to work an extra shift on Saturdays, it was revealed tonight.

Last Saturday's extra shift brought in an estimated 358,700 tons and the week's total was 4,500,000 tons, compared with 4,214,000 tons in the week ended November 28.

Individual output was a record.—Reuter.

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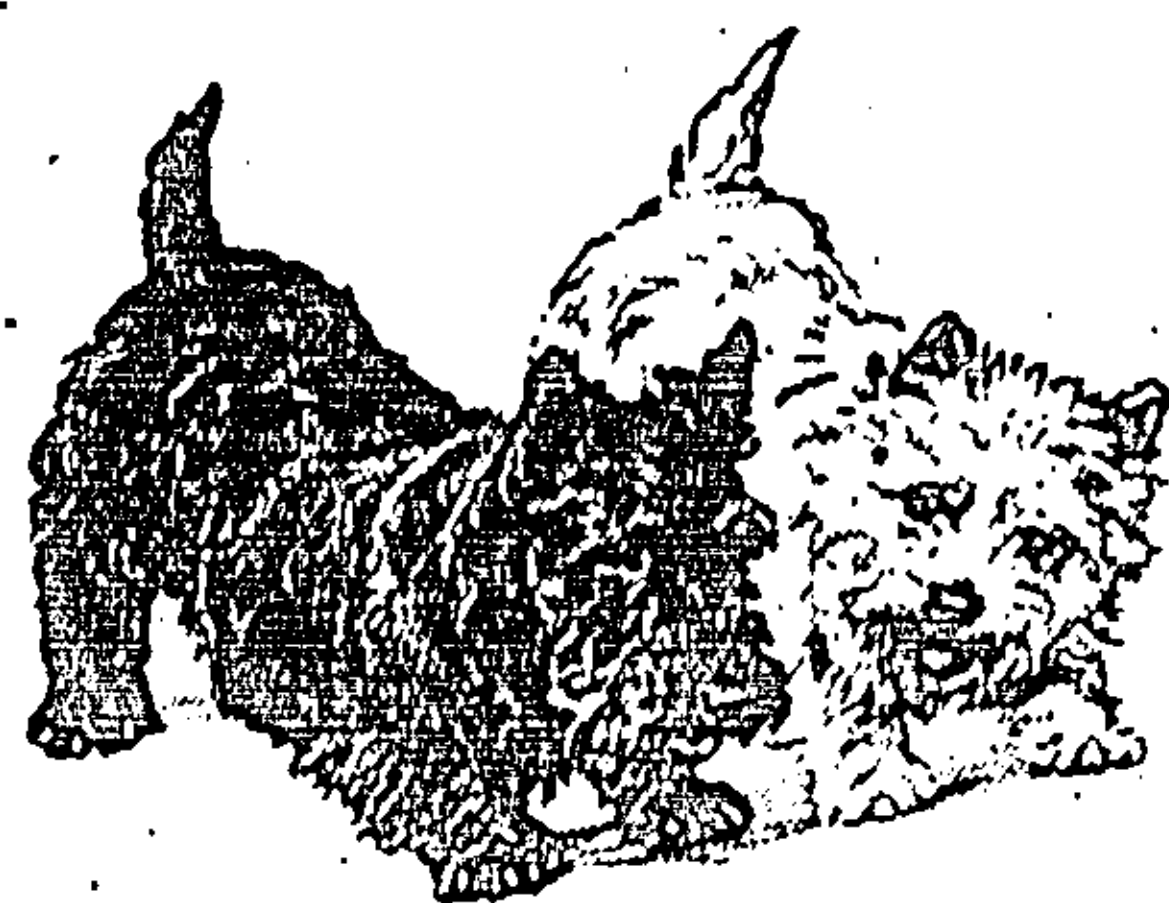
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## Airman's Wrecked Romance

London, Dec. 12. Group Captain Claude Henry Turner, charged with inciting a red-haired Polish girl to leave the country, told a Warsaw Court today he hoped the girl would marry him, according to a press despatch received in London.

Turner, a former British Air Attache in Warsaw, said he and the girl, Barbara Pobrowska, had discussed the possibility of divorcing his wife.

Miss Pobrowska, aged 29, is charged with attempting to leave the country illegally. Turner said that she had wanted to abide by the regulations but it was difficult to get Polish passports. Miss Pobrowska said she met Turner on a hunting trip and fell in love with him. She had known nothing of his "intelligence activities."

"I wanted to leave Poland only because I love him and for no other reason," she told the Court. "I am very sorry for all I have done."

Turner is charged with trying to smuggle her out of the country in the 2,502-ton freighter Baltavia, of which he became assistant purser after being Air Attache.—Reuter.

## The Movies Missed Her



Arriving in London from Stockholm, where she gave a series of concerts, Camilla Wicks, 21-year-old violinist who is said to be the world's most beautiful girl musician, made her British debut at the Royal Albert Hall last week. Called "the girl Menuhin the movies missed," Camilla, who is from California, is music magazine cover girl and has turned down Hollywood screen offers to devote her life to the violin. — London Express Service.

# Chiefs Of Staff Agree Over Role Of Germany In West European Army

## TIME-TABLE STEPPED UP

London, Dec. 12.

The Chiefs of Staff of the 12 Atlantic Pact nations agreed tonight on German participation in an integrated force under an Allied supreme commander to defend Western Europe.

The military men conferred throughout the day, and it was disclosed that the conference had gone so smoothly that the time-table had been stepped up.

A communique issued after the meeting said: "The Military Committee of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation held its fifth meeting today in London. Definite agreement was reached in the discussions, and the Committee will meet in London tomorrow in joint session with the North Atlantic Council of Deputies."

Out of the joint meeting on Wednesday is expected to come an announcement that details have been worked out to the satisfaction of the Atlantic powers. It will mean naming General Dwight Eisenhower to command the alliance. General Eisenhower's appointment must await the meeting of the Foreign and Defence Ministers in Brussels on Monday and Tuesday.

Prime Minister Clement Attlee, reporting on his talks with President Truman, told the Commons on Tuesday that naming a Supreme Commander was a most important step that should be taken immediately in building up European defence. — United Press.

### BRUSSELS MEETING

Washington, Dec. 12. The Defence Secretary, General George Marshall, announced today that the North Atlantic Treaty Defence Committee would meet in Brussels on December 18 at the invitation of Belgium.

After holding a separate meeting, the Defence Ministers will meet in the Atlantic Pact Foreign Ministers in Brussels with the aim of urging a settlement on rearming Germany and setting up a unified army for the defence of Western Europe under General Dwight Eisenhower as Supreme Commander.

General Marshall is Chairman of the Atlantic Treaty Defence Committee, but he will not attend the Brussels meeting because of his urgent duties here resulting from the Korean situation. He will be represented in Brussels by the Army Secretary, Mr. Frank Pace, who will be acting Chairman of the Defence Committee for the meetings there. — United Press.

### IKK'S APPOINTMENT

London, Dec. 12. General Dwight D. Eisenhower will probably be appointed Supreme Commander of the Atlantic Treaty forces in Europe before the end of this week, an authoritative source said here today.

General Eisenhower is 60. This will be his second appointment as Western Commander-in-Chief.

It was in December, 1934, that he was called upon to take command of the Allied expeditionary force preparing for the liberation of Europe.—Reuter.

### GERMAN ATTITUDE

Bonn, Dec. 12. Official German sources here declared tonight that West Germany could not accept the proposal for limited use of German battle groups within the framework of the North Atlantic Army.

They said that the Federal Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, had insisted on the principle of equal rights for Germany in any Western defence scheme and his Government would not accept any plan involving "discrimination" against Germany.—Reuter.

### ACHESON TO ATTEND

Washington, Dec. 12. The State Department announced that Secretary of State Dean Acheson and Army Secretary Frank Pace Jr. will fly to Brussels late on Sunday to attend next week's North Atlantic treaty meetings.

The announcement said President Truman suggested that the two attend the Monday and Tuesday meetings, after the encouraging progress made in London by the treaty powers on establishing a unified Western European defence force.—United Press.

## Fraser To Get A State Funeral

Wellington, Dec. 12. New Zealand will accord the fullest State honours in the burial on Friday of Mr. Peter Fraser, the Scottish shoe-maker's son who became her Prime Minister for nine years.

Mr. Sidney Holland, the present Prime Minister, announced today a few hours after the 60-year-old Labour Opposition leader had died of a heart attack in hospital.

Mr. Fraser, who was Premier from 1940 until his Government's defeat in last year's elections, had been critically ill for some weeks with bronchitis and heart trouble. He died at 11.30 a.m. before three o'clock local time today.—Reuter.

## CONTEMPT FOR "FACE" CONCEPT

Boston, Dec. 12.

The influential, independent Christian Science Monitor said editorially today: "Much is being said these days about the West's 'losing face' in Asia through the Korean defeat. This concept of 'face' needs closer examination."

"The most powerful, most practically effective figure in the Orient this century has been Mohandas K. Gandhi. Hundreds of millions of Orientals throughout the East love and revere his memory today. Yet Gandhi showed a sovereign contempt for the concept of 'face'."

"He never hesitated to reverse a policy when he found it was wrong and with disarming humility would admit he had made a 'Himalayan blunder'. The West may have more to learn from the East than it imagines."

"Already many Western statesmen must be remembering ruefully the scant attention they paid to India's warning that if the United Nations armies cross the 38th Parallel, the Chinese Communists would enter the conflict. We cannot accept General MacArthur's assurance that the Orientals respect nothing as much as 'face' without balancing the statement against the evidence of Gandhi's life that the Oriental can also respond amazingly to moral force—when made unmistakably clear to them."

"In the momentous decision ahead, therefore, let the West be more concerned with the substance of justice and wisdom than that maintaining a fictitious 'face' before the East... a thoughtful ear turned toward India and other countries of the new Asia may help the West find the straight, narrow path between appeasement and holocaust." — United Press.

## Gov't Defeated In The Lords

London, Dec. 12.

The Government was today defeated by 80 votes to 29 in the House of Lords, where the Conservative Opposition has a big majority.

It was on a procedural question whether a private Member's Bill should be debated in detail or not and does not affect the Government's position. The Bill, introduced by Lord Teynham, Conservative, would allow private road hauliers to compete against the State-owned transport system over a distance of 60 miles instead of 25 miles as at present.—Reuter.

## Heavy Penalty For Notre Dame Theft

Paris, Dec. 12.

Georges Masse, aged 23, a mechanic, was sentenced to four years' imprisonment and fined 50,000 francs here for having stolen two gilded monstrances from the Cathedral of Notre Dame.

After accompanying a group of tourists around the Cathedral, Masse put the monstrances into a sack under his coat. When arrested, he said he had thrown the monstrances into the Seine but the police, dredging the river, failed to recover them.—Reuter.

## Attlee Talk With Churchill

London, Dec. 12.

Mr. Winston Churchill, the leader of the Conservative Opposition in Parliament, had a private talk with Mr. Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister, tonight on the Truman-Attlee meetings in Washington. Although Mr. Attlee and Mr. Churchill did not formally consult on foreign policy, it is customary for the Prime Minister to keep the Opposition leader informed on critical issues.—Reuter.

## Compromise Plan For New Guinea

The Hague, Dec. 12. Dutch and Indonesian delegates joined today in confidential discussions on the future of Western New Guinea, officially stated to be held in a friendly atmosphere.

Documents released by both delegations tonight gave details of the latest seven-point Indonesian compromise plan for the future of Western New Guinea, at present under Dutch administration.

This plan is now under discussion.

Sources close to the Indonesian delegation said that the plan was absolutely conditional on Holland being prepared to give up control of the territory, and formally cede it to the Republic of Indonesia by Dec. 27, the first anniversary of the transfer to Indonesia of the rest of the former Dutch East Indies.

The documents released tonight showed that the Indonesian Foreign Minister, Dr. Mohammad Roem, made this demand on Thursday but the Dutch had rejected it.

Dr. Roem said that his country, "deeply conscious of the dangers to world peace," was prepared to settle the New Guinea dispute by consultation.—Reuter.

## Atom Bomb Same In Principle

Canberra, Dec. 12. American Senator Theodore Francis Green (Democrat, Providence, Rhode Island), told Commonwealth representatives here today that it was for the President of the United States to decide if the atom bomb should be used.

A guest speaker at the final session of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference here, the Senator said: "Personally, I cannot see any difference in principle between the use of the atomic bomb and of any other form of military power."

An Indian delegate, Mr. D. K. Borogoh, described his country's policy as "not pacifist—we are a peaceful nation but are not opposed to fighting for freedom."

Mr. M. H. Gadkar, of Pakistan, declared that his country was in the forefront in the defence of the United Nations and the democratic way of life.—Reuter.

## Pope Pius Receives Franco's Brother

Vatican City, Dec. 12.

Pope Pius XII today received in audience Nicola Franco, the Spanish Ambassador to Portugal and brother of General Francisco Franco, the Spanish Chief of State.—Reuter.

## Muslims In London Plan Parade Over Jungle Girl Case

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, Dec. 12.

Five hundred Muslims from all over Britain plan to hold a demonstration march through the main streets of London on Meeladunnabi (the Prophet's birthday), Dec. 24, if "Jungle Girl" Bertha Hertogh is forced to leave her Muslim husband and return to Holland.

In an exclusive dawn interview today by the Vice-President of the Azad Kashmir Muslim League, Sadiq Hussain, whose society is organising the march as a protest, against what they describe as "open aggression by Christianity towards the Islam religion," stated the League is entirely in sympathy with the principles of the Singapore demonstration although it regretted the bloodshed.

Hussain stated that Muslims coming from all over the British Isles for the celebration of Meeladunnabi would take part and they also hoped many other Muslim societies would send representatives.

The plan is for the demonstrators to march along Fleet Street through Trafalgar Square and up Whitehall, carrying banners proclaiming that action in this case is directly contrary to their beliefs, and calling for immediate suspension of the "Calcutta Judgment" against Islam.

The League will first apply for permission to hold a demonstration, and if that is refused, will then apply for a licence to hold a procession under the Public Order Act, 1936.

### BANNED BY LAW?

It is doubtful if they will easily secure this permission, as public processions of a political nature are banned by law in this country. If they can persuade the authorities it is a purely religious procession it may be allowed, although it will then be a matter to be decided by the local police—in this case the London Metropolitan Police, who will decide whether or not a demonstration can be held that day without requiring a licence under the law.

As Meeladunnabi coincides with the Christmas season, it is expected that the demonstration will be held on the 24th.

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# ATTLEE GIVES AN ACCOUNTING

## Farce In Commons

London, Dec. 12.  
In dead silence Members of Parliament today watched a Communist-sponsored peace petition carried ceremoniously into the House of Commons.

The petition, said to have been signed by 134,000 people, called for a five-power meeting to secure the banning of atomic weapons.

It was sponsored by the Communist-led British Peace Committee as a by-product of the Warsaw World Peace Congress.

At the beginning of today's session, nine solemn attendants, formally dressed in black tail-coats and white ties, bore in 38 bundles of documents containing the signatures.

A Labour Member, Mr Sydney Silverman, bowing, approached the Speaker's chair and formally presented the text of the Peace petition.

The attendants once more entered in a grave procession and this time removed the pile of signatures which throughout the ceremony had remained untouched and unopened.

Parliament is likely to take no further action than this on the petition.—Reuter.

## Talks With President Truman On Use Of The Atomic Bomb

### LONG-RANGE OBJECTIVE IN EAST

London, Dec. 12.  
The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, declared in the House of Commons today that he was fully satisfied with his talks in Washington with President Truman on the subject of the atomic bomb.

He added that he had good hopes that the forces of the United Nations would maintain themselves in Korea.

Cheers from a crowded House of Commons greeted the Prime Minister when he entered the Chamber a few hours after his return by air from Canada and the United States.

Mr Attlee told the House: "I would ask the House to accept my assurance that there is no difference between us on this vital matter." He said that the atmosphere of the talks in Washington was both frank and friendly.

He believed such meetings between the President of the United States and the British Prime Minister served not only mutual interest but the interests of the whole world.

Mr Attlee continued: "We covered a wide range of topics—political, military and economic—and I believe we made progress on all of them."

"I had no hesitation in stating the British position in all these matters with the utmost frankness. Our object was to reach the greatest possible identity of view in our approach on these matters and we achieved this in very large measure."

"On Korea and the Far East we have agreed on the immediate course our representatives at the United Nations should follow."

"We were agreed that aggression must be halted and we were equally certain that every effort should be made to prevent an extension of the conflict."

MAIN OBJECTIVE  
Mr Attlee said that their long-range objective was to reach a stable position in the Far East.

With regard to the campaign in Korea, Mr Attlee said: "It is clear that the general directives of the United Nations have been followed."

On the different attitudes of Britain and the United States to the subjects of recognition of the Chinese Communist Government and Chinese representation in the United Nations, Mr Attlee said: "We did not expect that these differences could be resolved in talks lasting only a few days."

He went on to say that the defence of the West remained the first task of all the members of the Atlantic community.

He said that he was convinced that in the present circum-

## Labour Wins Vote Over Coal Board

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The Government won a 14-vote victory over Mr Winston Churchill's Conservatives in the House of Commons tonight.

By 298 to 284 votes it defeated a Conservative motion condemning the National Coal Board which runs the State-owned coal industry and demanding an independent inquiry into its failure to get more coal.

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Sir Roger Makins, Deputy Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office, will go to Paris tomorrow to report to the French Prime Minister, Mr Rene Pleven, and the Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, on the talks between President Truman and M. Clement Attlee.

Sir Roger Makins was the senior member of the Foreign Office staff who accompanied Mr Attlee on his visit to Washington. The decision to send him to Paris to make a personal report is a courtesy reply to the London visit of the French Premier and M. Schuman before Mr Attlee went to Washington.—Reuter.

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London, Dec. 12.  
The 71-year-old publisher of an anti-Jewish news sheet, "Gothic Ripples," was today found not guilty of maliciously publishing a defamatory libel concerning London's police chief, Sir Harold Scott.

He was discharged. The man was Arnold Spencer Leese, of Pawley Hill, Guildford, Surrey.—Reuter.

## Spanish Army Increases

Madrid, Dec. 12.  
The Spanish Government today published plans to increase the number of reserve officers and non-commissioned officers.

Retired Army officials still within age limits may now join the reserve for training periods. The number of university students trained as temporary officers or non-commissioned officers in summer camps will also be increased.—Reuter.

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## Turks Keen On Another Challenge

Seoul, Dec. 12. In a peaceful plain, a few miles southwest of Seoul, the Turks are sharpening their bayonets ready for another fight. In their first and only battle in Korea, the Turks left their mark deeply on the Communists and won the lasting respect of their brothers-in-arms in the United Nations force.

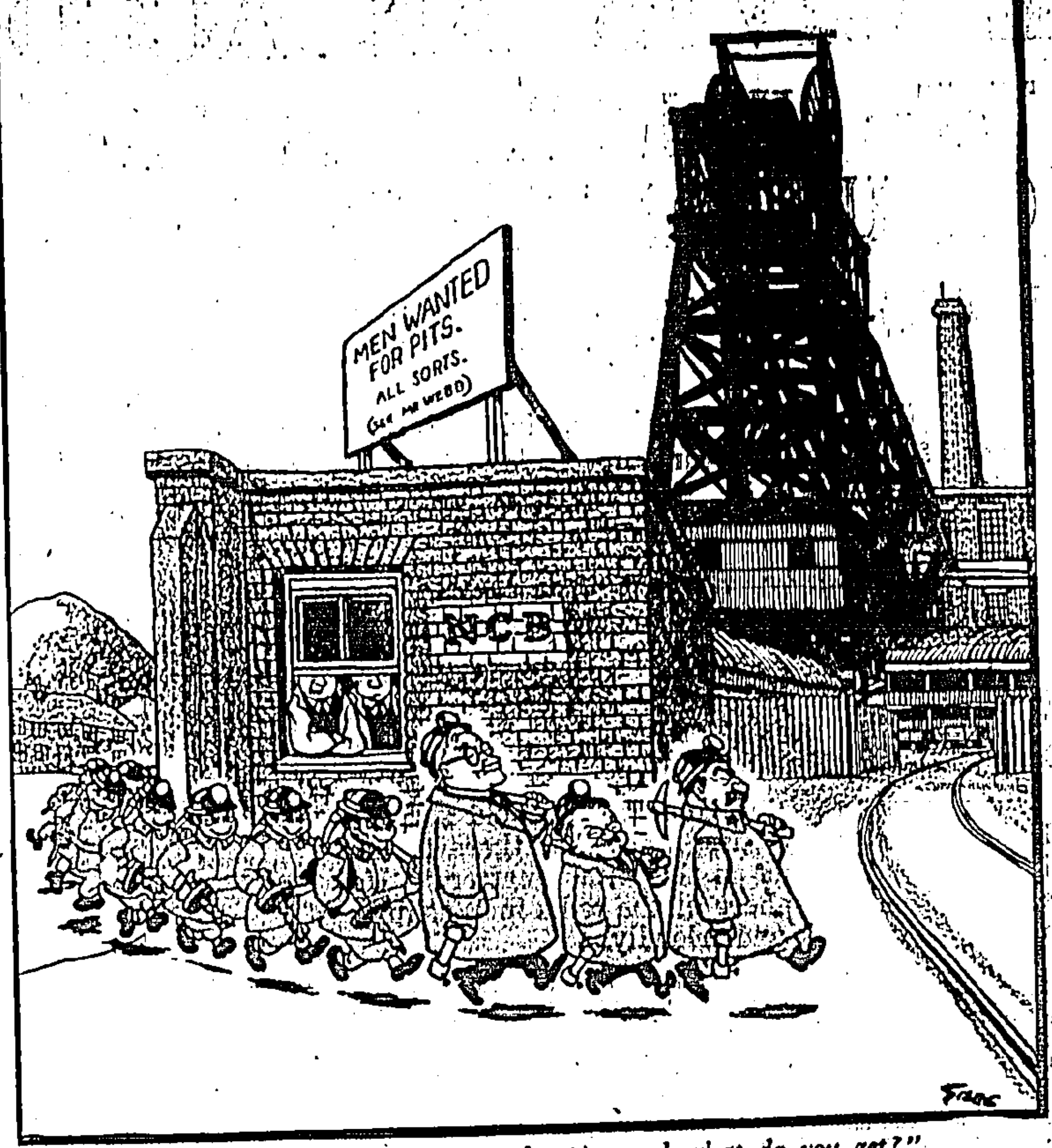
That was in the initial shock of the Chinese Communist counter-offensive when the Turkish Brigade's 5,000 soldiers, surrounded by a Communist force estimated at four divisions, went in with the bayonet and fought a four-day continuous battle to chop their way out of the trap.

The Brigade's commander, Brigadier Tahsin Yazici, said today: "We are re-equipping and getting ready for another action. Everyone in the Brigade, including the wounded, wishes to fight again."

"I have just visited some of my men in hospital and they all told me 'Give us the opportunity to rejoin our battalions before they go into action.'"

**Trautmann Passes**  
Berlin, Dec. 12. Dr. Oskar Trautmann, a veteran diplomat of the Berlin-Tokyo Axis era, has died in Berlin, it was reported today.

Trautmann was appointed head of the German Foreign Office, Far Eastern Section, in 1937.—Reuter.



"I invite foreign workers into the pits, and what do you get?"  
London Express Service

## WHEN THE KING'S COMMISSION WAS FOR SALE

By Peter Lovegrove

It is difficult to realise today, when officers of the British Army come from every section of the community and all start their military career by roughing it in the ranks for six months, that it is barely eighty years since the purchase of the King's Commission was abolished.

Under this peculiar system, officers did not qualify for a commission by experience or merit, but bought it for cash. In the middle of the eighteenth century, the charges varied from £6,700 for a colonelcy in the Guards to £400 for an ensignship in a regiment of foot.

The practice dated back to the days before the establishment of the Regular Army in 1660 when the colonel practically owned his regiment, and his officers bought their appointments from him. On retirement, these went to the highest bidder in the same way as a doctor used to sell his practice.

The purchase system, which Ian Hay stresses imposed a grievous handicap upon officers compelled through lack of means to work their way up by merit alone, constituted a direct menace to the morale and efficiency of the Army itself by the frequent admission of wealthy, incompetent amateurs, and he cites a case which occurred during the Crimean War, and which was mentioned by Field-Marshal Lord Clyde in his evidence before a Royal Commission after the campaign. An officer of the 85th Regiment (now the Border Regiment) had been promoted for service in the field, having led the assault on Ching Kiang-Foo, and so attained his brevet-majorscy. Then, when he was actually in command of his regiment in the field, in the presence of the enemy, that command was purchased over his head by a very young and totally inexperienced captain who had just come out, and he himself was left to lead a company.

The abolition of the system was carried out by Edward Cardwell, one of the greatest military reformers Britain has ever known, but not without bitter opposition, and then only without full parliamentary sanction.

Cardwell was Secretary for War in the Gladstone administration from 1868 to 1874, and laid the foundations of the modern British Army by introducing the short service scheme, the localisation of regiments and the linked-battalion (by which one battalion of a regiment remained at home while the other served abroad), instituting the Regular Army Reserve and ending the purchase system.

After long and stormy debates, the Commons passed the bill, but in the Lords, the Opposition introduced a series of blocking amendments which threatened to wreck the whole plan. Cardwell then had recourse to a simple expedient, states Ian Hay, and adds: "The Purchase system had been amended, and to that extent legalised, by the Royal Warrant of George III. But what the Sovereign could annul, the Sovereign could annul. So Mr Gladstone asked the Queen to cancel the Warrant of 1793 altogether. The Queen did so, and at a stroke the purchase of commissions stood bereft of either of sanction or sanctity. There was a fierce outcry, of course. It was said that the prerogative of the Crown had been abused, and the authority of Parliament routed. But the Prime Minister and the Secretary of State were within their rights. They rode out the storm, and the Army Regulation Bill became law. Purchase was dead."

And in conclusion, Ian Hay—a pen-name for Major-General John Hay Beth, who was Director of Public Relations at the War Office from 1930 to 1941, by the way—says: "The name of Cardwell is almost forgotten now, but the great edifice which he erected so laboriously has stood up well. Its superstructure has been altered more than once by the hand of time and the progress of military science; but the foundations endure."

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I only hope, Dr. Forrie, that the heavenly choir is able to stay on key more successfully than the one in your church!"

## FERD'NAND Bottoms Up!



## Knarf Went to High-School

—Octavius Owl Was the Principal—

By MAX TRELL

"KNARF!" exclaimed his sister Hanid. "Where have you been all afternoon? We've been looking high and low for you! Did you get lost?"

Knarf, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, smiled pleasantly. "I was in high-school, Hanid."

At this Hanid looked at him in astonishment. "High-school? What high-school? Why, you haven't even been to primary school yet! How can you have gone to high-school?"

"That's what it was, Hanid—high-school."

"I don't believe it!"

"It was high-school because it was a school, and it was up as high as a school can be. That's why!"



**All Afternoon**  
By this time Hanid was really astonished. She demanded to know more about this very high school that Knarf said he had been at all afternoon. So, after making himself comfortable on the floor under the sunny window, Knarf smiled again and explained.

"This high-school that I went to was up in an elm tree, high up, almost at the top. The name of it was Elm Tree High, and Mr. Octavius Owl was the principal."

"Octavius Owl?" repeated Hanid. "Is he an owl. I mean, a bird owl?"

Knarf nodded. "That's what he is all right. He's an owl with feathers and he flies. His classroom was in a hollow branch. It wasn't very big. But there was plenty of room for all the pupils."

"Who were the pupils?"

"Oh they were all kinds. There were two or three caterpillars. There were five beetles. There was a young squirrel. And there were also a ladybug, a spider, a dragon-fly and a mouse."

"My goodness!" said Hanid. "They were certainly all mixed up, weren't they? Where did they all sit?"

"They didn't all sit," replied Knarf. The caterpillars and the different flies hung on to the ceiling. The spider made a web for herself in a corner. The ladybug and the beetles all stayed on the walls. The mouse and the chipmunk squeezed themselves into holes with just their heads sticking out. The only one who really sat was only one who really sat was

Knarf told Hanid about school. the squirrel, Mr. Octavius Owl stood at the head of the classroom, teaching the lessons.

"What lessons did he teach, Knarf?"

"All the regular kind, only they seemed a bit different on account of there being so many different kinds of pupils he had to teach them to. For instance, Knarf said, shutting his eyes for a moment, as he thought about them, 'he taught gnawing to the mouse. It's like drawing only it's done with the teeth. He taught sniffing to the squirrel and the chipmunk, and also reaching and sighting.'"

"What's all that?"

**Very Important**  
"Sniffing," explained Knarf, "and reaching and sighting are something like arithmetic, reading and writing. But of course they're not exactly the same. The caterpillars learned spelling instead of spelling and each of them was given a book and learned how to nibble every leaf in it. The beetles just learned geography."

"Geography?" said Hanid in a puzzled voice. "Is that like geography?"

"No, it isn't, Hanid. It means how to keep away from frogs and keep them from snapping at you. That's very important for beetles."

"And what did you learn in Mr. Owl's high-school, Knarf?"

"I?" said Knarf. "Humph, I just learned that there was such a high-school. Now isn't that important?"

Instead of answering her brother, Hanid simply smiled. So Knarf never knew for certain whether she did or she didn't think Mr. Octavius Owl's Elm Tree High was really important.

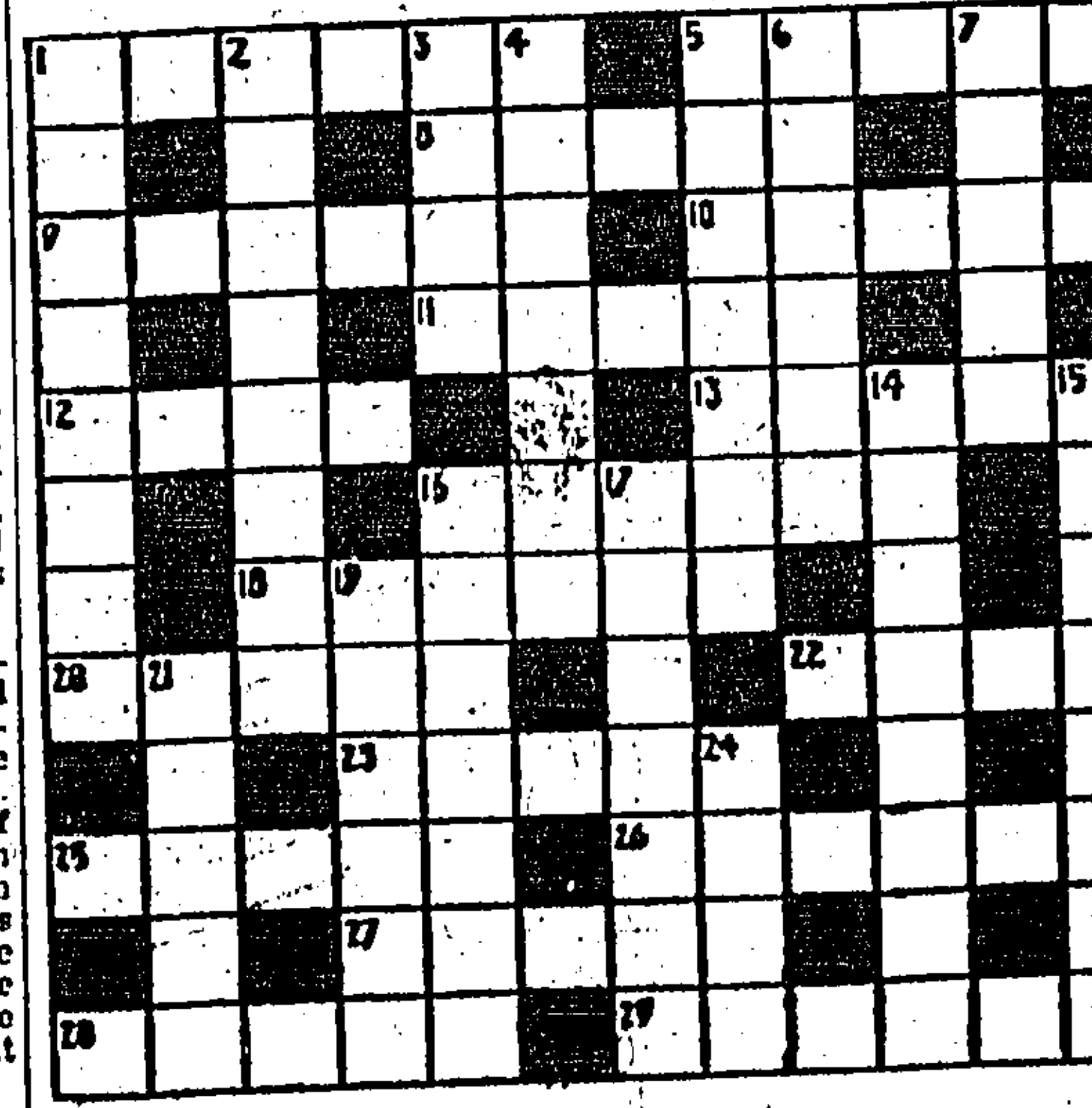
## Rupert's Climbing Adventure—45



After the boat is safely overturned on the bank Rupert picks up all the things that were in it. "Look, here's an axe, and the two ropes we were going to use to climb with," he says. "And the sand which was going to eat. Although it was he who made the mistake that has led to such a dance. Bongo has got himself home comfortably while I have to carry this lot back." He smiles wryly, but Beryl gives a merry laugh. "Cheer up, Beryl! We can help you by taking Bongo's things to his home." So Rupert thanks them and says goodbye.

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## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Accident.
  - Outdoors.
  - Enlivened.
  - Spirit.
  - Cog.
  - Command.
  - Brink.
  - Brings up.
  - Help.
  - Lithe.
  - Checkers.
  - Subsides.
  - Gom.
  - Obstacle.
  - Bar.
- DOWN**
- Crimes.
  - Tussle.
  - Voice.
  - Noble lady.
  - Meantime.
  - Supplies.
  - Extreme.
  - Was present.
  - Gravity.
  - Sessions.
  - Comforted.
  - Transfers.
  - Laugh (or white).
  - Certainly.
- YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1. Beryl, 2. Beryl, 3. Beryl, 4. Beryl, 5. Beryl, 6. Beryl, 7. Beryl, 8. Beryl, 9. Beryl, 10. Beryl, 11. Beryl, 12. Beryl, 13. Beryl, 14. Beryl, 15. Beryl, 16. Beryl, 17. Beryl, 18. Beryl, 19. Beryl, 20. Beryl, 21. Beryl, 22. Beryl, 23. Beryl, 24. Beryl, 25. Beryl, 26. Beryl, 27. Beryl.



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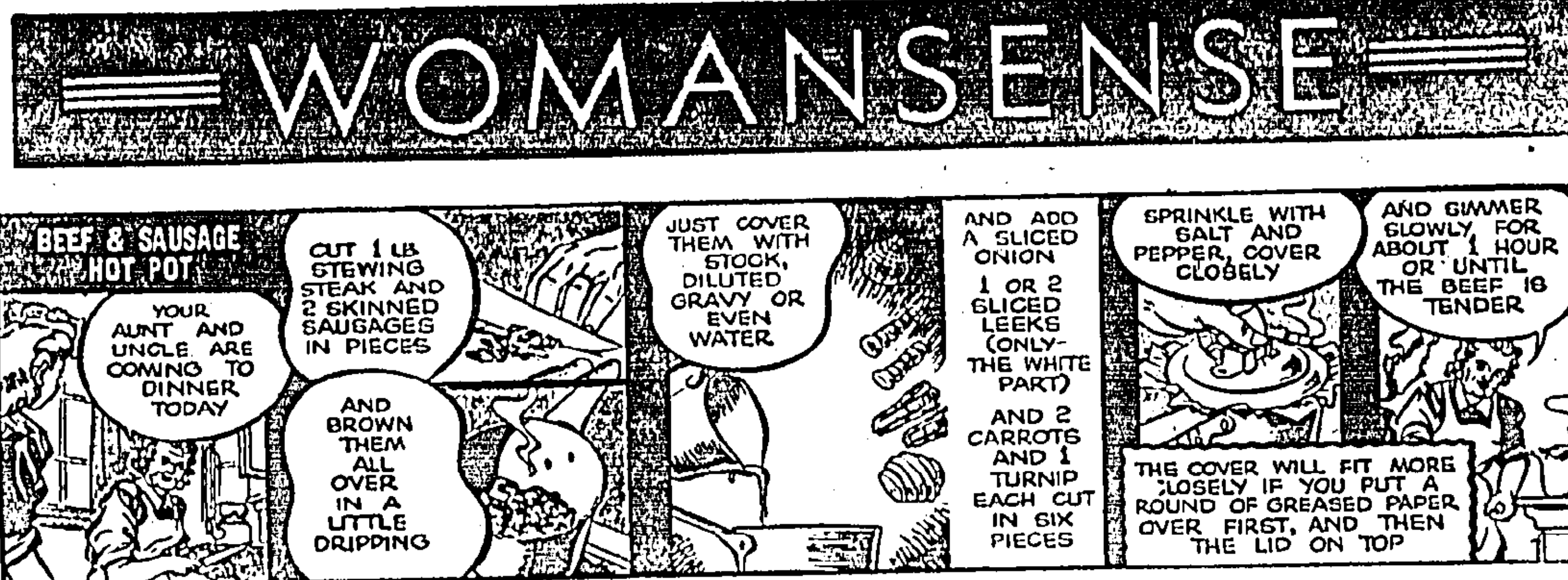
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## Distorted Ideas On Facts Of Life Are Bad For The Child

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.



Film actress Sheila Bugh  
wore a black chiffon gown  
trimmed with white lace and a  
fur stole for the premiere of the  
new film "Naked Heart."

EVERY now and then you read or hear of some adult who, on coming to marriage or about to give birth to a baby, had the vaguest or the most distorted ideas of how a baby is conceived and born. But the case cited is rarely of a person of this generation but of a person whose childhood was spent long, long ago. Yet from many speakers or writers one still might get the impression that many children are now growing up in dark ignorance about the facts of life.

### BEFORE ADOLESCENCE

No doubt most of today's children long before adolescence know far more of the facts of life than their parents knew at the same age. Indeed, some youngsters could tell their parents a few things. But thanks to the better wisdom and ways of many modern parents, more children year by year, it seems, have been acquiring the facts of life in a more wholesome fashion and at an earlier age than their parents did.

Good sex education of children by their parents aims not

only at helping the child gain the facts of life accurately but at helping him acquire them in a wholesome atmosphere with ideal relationship to his parents. Of first importance are his attitudes while gaining the facts and his attitude toward these facts as he continues to grow. Apart from sex education itself, both the child and his parents lose something very precious when this child has not gradually received essential sex facts from his parents. This lack bespeaks the absence of desirable relationship between the child and his parents.

When the growing child freely asks his parents any question, including sex questions, of great concern to him, there is a very desirable parent-child confidence and companionship. And when the child feels from accumulating experiences that all his questions are welcomed and answered kindly and companionably, he tends not only to enjoy still closer companionship with his parents but also wholesome attitudes toward these questions and their answers.

### SEX ATTITUDES

Basic in good sex attitudes are a high regard for other persons, especially of the opposite sex, and everything precious to them; also sufficient self-discipline to prove and maintain this regard. As you can see, happy sex relationship in marriage presupposes this same type of regard and self-discipline. Whereas the growing child needs protection from those who might not have due respect for him, including his body, he also needs such discipline as will help him gain self-discipline toward other persons. He needs not only to know what is right but to have the self-drive to do what is right and the self-control not to do what he knows is wrong.

How can the child with few or no inhibitions at five, twelve or fifteen escape undesirable sex attitudes and practices? And what will it profit him to gain, even in the most wholesome manner, all the facts of life, unless he also gains the stuff of character in his ideals and conduct to use these facts wholesomely? How, therefore, can we provide good sex education for our children without training and educating them in due regard for the rights and feelings of other persons? In the acres and acres of print on sex education of children, one wonders why this essential factor has been so generally ignored.

### Household Hints

Extremes of water temperature causes woollens to shrink. The safe way to launder them is to be sure the water, for washing and rinsing is the same temperature—lukewarm.

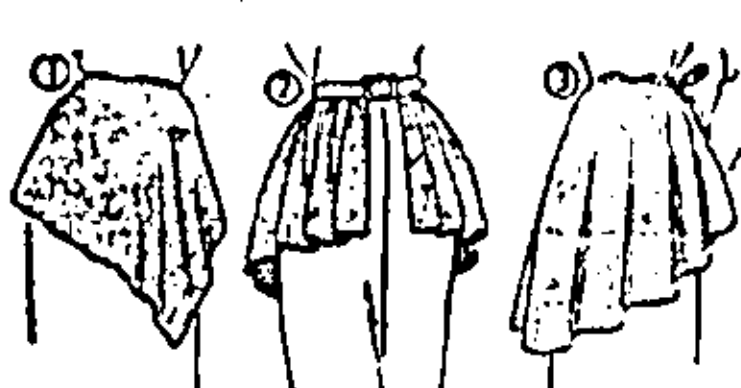
To entertain a convalescent child who must be kept quiet, get a colored balloon and tie it to the bed where a current of air will move it slightly. It will hold the child's interest.

If the skin or felt side of your furs is hard and dry, or if the hair sheds, rub an oil soap into the skin until it is flexible. To do this, pin the fur to a board, skin side up, and rub in paste oil soap or thick soapuds into which a little neatfoot oil has been whipped.



The Peplum Story—Gives New-Season  
Look to Last Year's Dress

WHEN you shop the stores it seems that you find peplums on three out of ten of this season's dresses. A sheath dress is ideal as a base for a peplum. Perhaps you have one from last year that is crying for help.



Illustrated are three of the preferred styles. Decide which of these would look best on you and do the most for your dress. Then make it of crepe, tulle, velvet or even wool.

### Triangular Style

Peplum No. 1: Use 1/2 yd. of 50" rayon tulle. Straighten fabric; do not fold. A is at 25" or halfway point. B, C and D are each 1/4 waist plus 2" from A.

Swing an arc from B through D to C. F is 1/3 waist below E. Chalk a line F to C. G is 3" below C on this line.

Chalk curve G to D for waistline. Make distance G to I same as from D to H. Chalk a curve H to I. Cut curve B to G, G to I, I to H.

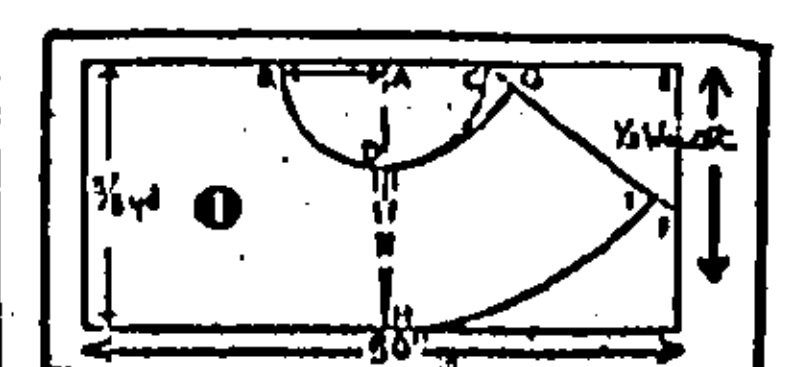
To Make: In fitting, bring B and G together at right hip. Lay dart over left hip as indicated D to H.

Hem or bind all edges except waistline. Stitch ribbon to waistline with ends long enough to tie in bow.

### Pleated Peplum

Peplum No. 2: Take 1 yd. of rayon crepe; straighten edge. Cut in two crosswise.

From one piece cut three 2" strips lengthwise of waistband leaving a 38" piece for back. Cut second piece in half lengthwise for two front pieces (each 18" x 21").



Seam the 13" raw edges of front piece to 18" ends of back piece. Press seams open. Turn selvages back 1 1/2" for front hem.

Fold in half lengthwise, seams matching, as at A. C is 12" down from B. Chalk a slightly curved line to connect with bottom edge. Cut on this line.

To Make: Finish bottom with 1" slip-stitched hem. Mitre corners. Gather top edge.

Cut waistband to waist measurement plus 3" for overlap or use full length and make tie ends.

Adjust fullness on waistband, allowing a 2" or 3" space between front edges. Baste and stitch to position.

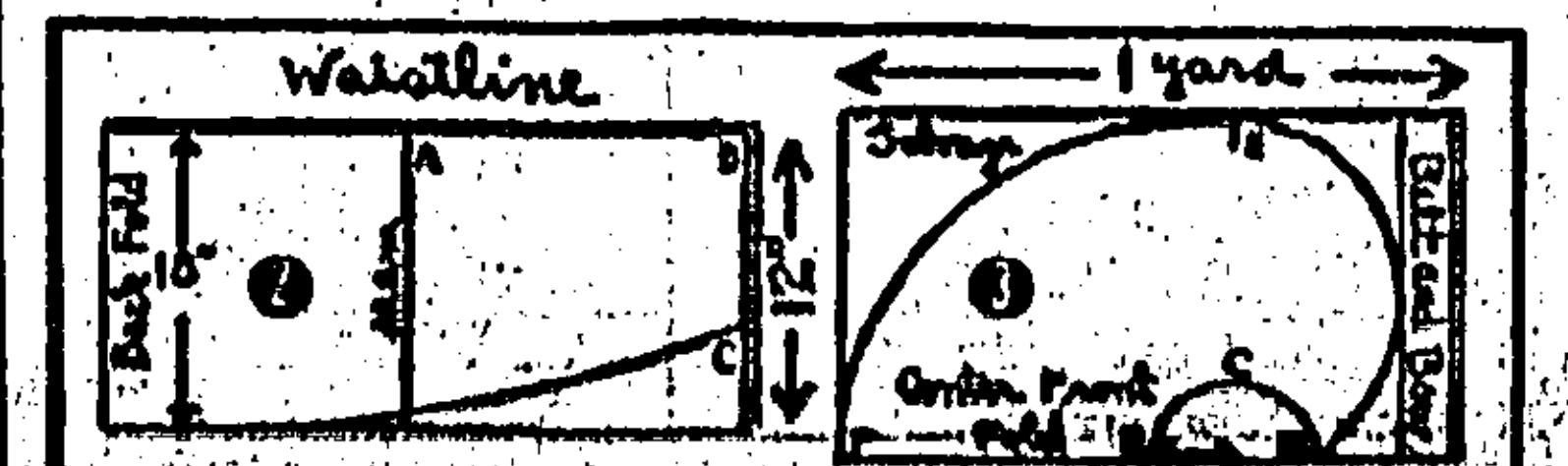
Peplum No. 3: This is more of an apron than a peplum. Take 1 yd. of fabric and tear a 3" strip from one crosswise edge for belt and tie ends.

Fold fabric in half lengthwise, selvages together. Measure skirt length. A is 2/3 skirt length plus 6" from left corner. B, C and D are each 1/8 waist measure from A. Connect these with a curve. E is directly above A on selvage.

Chalk a curved line from F around to E and continue curve to D. Cut on curved lines B-C-D and F-E-D.

To Make: Bind edge with 1" bias cut from corners, or use narrow bias facing.

Pin peplum on. Tie a string around figure and check waistline. Some prefer a 5" to 6" space between back edges. Remove and stitch belt on. Tie at centre back or make a tailored bow and tack to place, using a hook and eye underneath.



### Jet-propelled



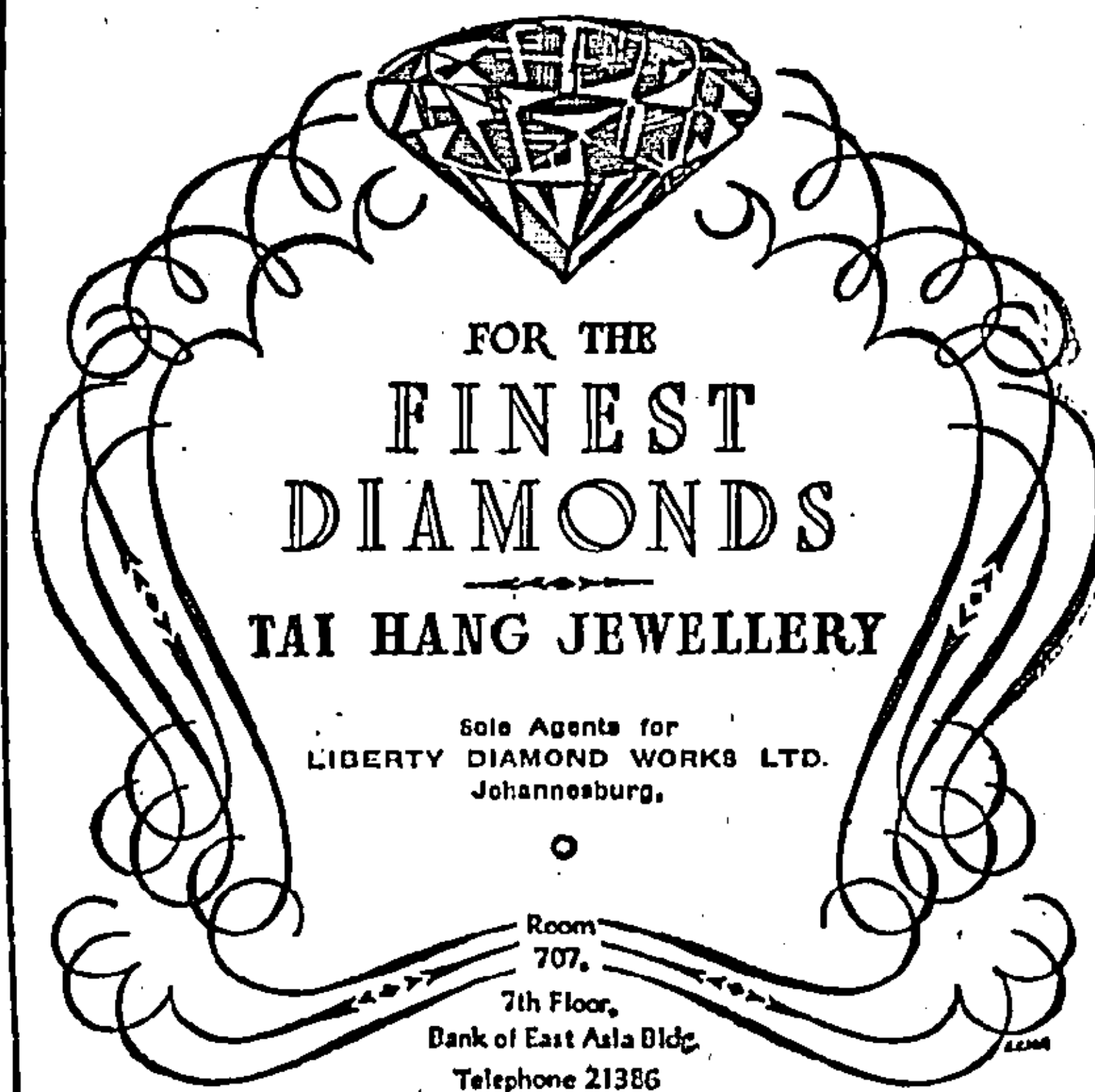
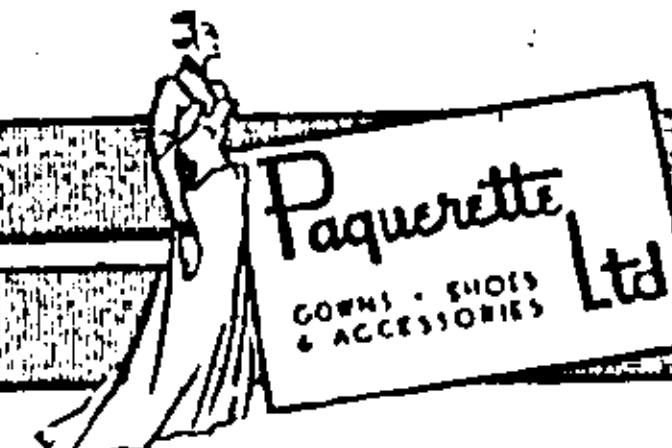
By ALICE ALDEN

SEPARATES are everywhere, so there's a new and fresh appeal about the elegant one-piece dress, especially for late afternoon and evening adornment. Black woven drape is used for a cocktail dress by famed New York designer Adele Simpson. She calls this one of her brain children "jet-propelled," because of the jet and velvet framed neckline. The small hat, the long gloves, the one touch of glitter at the throat make ideal dress-

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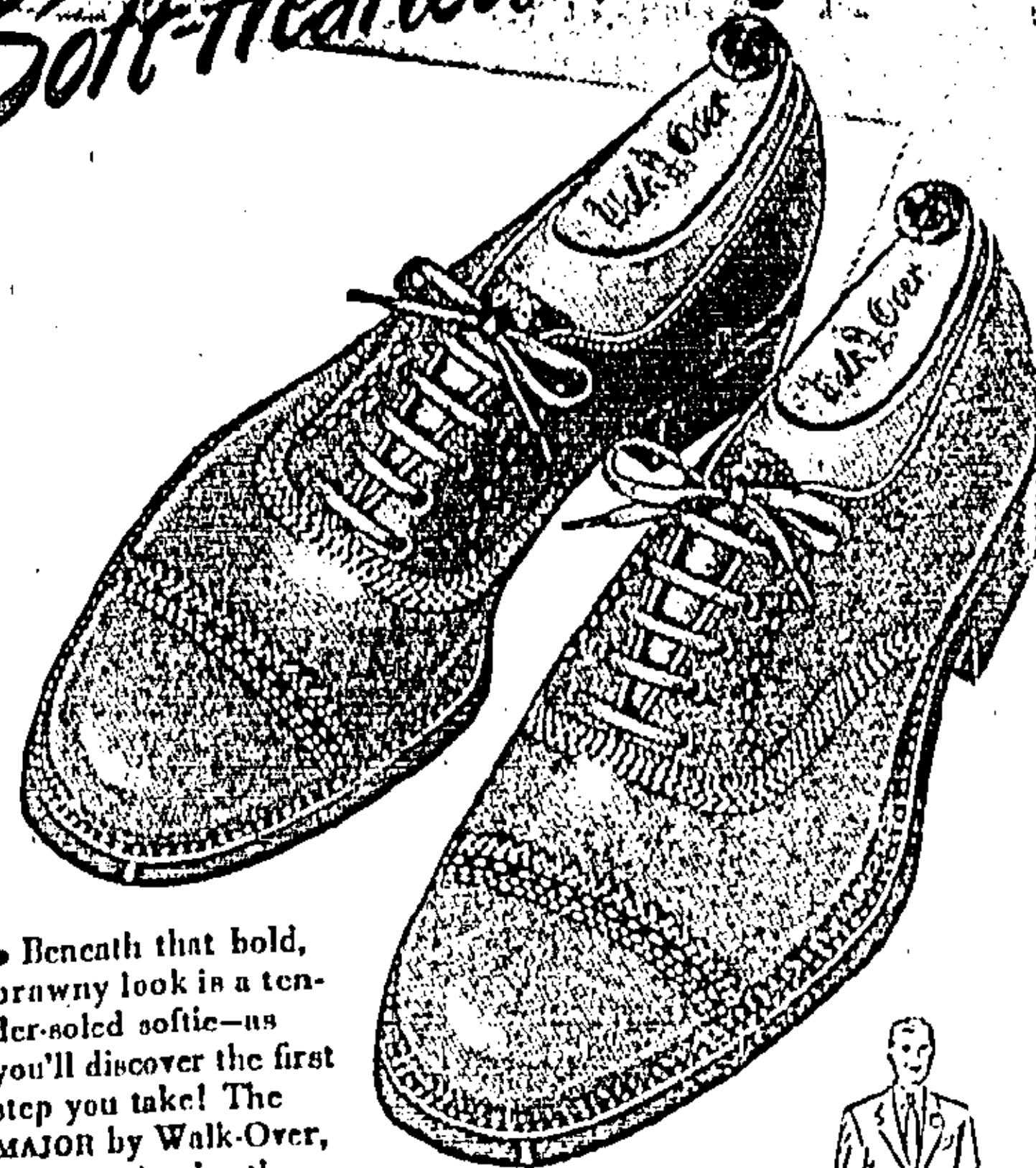
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**HEINZ OVEN-BAKED BEANS**

NO sight can be more painful than to see a man being cross-examined as to his own sanity. The issues are so vital and the consequences may be so terrible that no jury should be called upon to enter into such enquiry; indeed it is more than doubtful if any jury can be competent to do so. The state of a man's mind, the degree of his mental stability, depends so much upon so many factors that it can only be decided, if at all, by persons who have had years of experience and training in such matters.

There is on record in the Assize Courts of a County town the case of a man who was brought for a brutal assault upon the warder of a lunatic asylum. The man himself had been an inmate, and according to his own story he had committed the assault with the sole and definite purpose of being brought before a jury, so that at last he might have an opportunity of establishing beyond any doubt that he was completely sane and that he should never have been incarcerated.

## Own defence

He conducted his own defence. For hours he had cross-examined witnesses for the prosecution and had conducted legal arguments in a manner so reasoned and restrained that he had satisfied every person in the Court that he was as sane as they were; and then quite suddenly a point arose, of no materiality, which seemed to burst into a tirade of abuse, particularly directed against the Royal Family, so violent and absurd that within two minutes the same people were satisfied beyond all question, not only that he was mad, but probably a homicidal maniac. Without that outburst the jury could, quite possibly, have been induced to make a grave mistake.

If no jury should properly be called upon to enter into such enquiry, no advocate should be required to cross-examine a person for the same purpose. I can remember few more un- happy experiences than the day when I had to cross-examine a Kentish farmer whom I shall call Mr. Blank.

He was married and in the year 1912 was fifty years of age. From a medical point of view his family history was unsatisfactory. His mother had died in an asylum, although the actual cause of her insanity was never explained in court. His elder brother was there described as "eccentric, bordering on insanity for years."

## Seriously ill

In October 1912 Mr. Blank became seriously unwell, and was so unwell as to consult a person whom he described as a quack doctor, with the result that he received some treatment which proved far from beneficial. He was infected with some substance, the nature of which he did not know, but which caused him to become seriously ill, to such an extent that he became delirious, and remained in that condition for about a month.

Very shortly afterwards, and as he thought in consequence of this treatment, he engaged upon certain activities which were doubt very largely misfortunes. One of the most peculiar was a visit that he paid to Borsal prison. He hired a motor car for the purpose, in which he was accompanied by a solicitor and a land agent whom he desired to be present as guarantors of his position and reputation, as he wished to ask the Governor's permission for him to preach to those prisoners who were under sentence of death. As there were of course no prisoners at Borsal under such sentence the visit may well have seemed peculiar.

On November 12, 1912, he was summoned to his house the reporter of a local newspaper to whom he dilated a remarkable account of certain visions of which he gave detailed particulars. On the same day he wrote to the local post office a letter

which may well have caused amazement to its recipients, and which subsequently remained annexed to his medical records. "Dear Post Office Official (for Officials),

Jesus has touched my eyes. If I have done wrong I am willing to make things right. I love you. If you love Jesus and love me, you will come and see me and make me happy.

Yours sincerely,

W. S. Blank

(a sinful man).

Mr. Blank's medical advisers took a very serious view of this document, which they attached to the report they made upon his mental condition.

## Delusions

In addition to the report stated that Mr. Blank was suffering from delusions, one of which was that his wife had been unfaithful to him. It is right to state that no evidence whatever was given in any way supporting the truth of this suggestion, but at the same time it might well have been argued on Mr. Blank's behalf that many a married man might possibly be under a similar misapprehension in regard to his own wife without necessarily being regarded as a fit subject for detention in an asylum.

However, this combination of circumstances satisfied Mr. Blank's family that his mental condition had become affected, and they accordingly consulted two medical men who certified him as insane, and he was removed to a private asylum presided over by a medical superintendent named Doctor X.

Mr. Blank only remained at this asylum for about a month. At the end of this period the medical superintendent formed the opinion that Mr. Blank was sufficiently recovered to be able to return home to his family. Mr. Blank was thereupon sent by two visiting justices, who issued an order that he should be released on leave for 28 days.

## High dudgeon

Mr. Blank's brother was requested to attend the asylum for the purpose of escorting the patient to his house. Mr. Blank evinced great displeasure at being accompanied by his brother, who, he considered, was the cause of his original certification, and indeed stated that he would prefer to be escorted by the police; but this was thought to be unreasonable, and so Mr. Blank left the asylum in his brother's company and in high dudgeon.

On the next day Mr. Blank saw many different people. Two of them, doctors, thought that he was not in his right mind. Many others, some of them business men, took a directly contrary view and considered he was perfectly normal.

On the second day of his freedom Mr. Blank came to London. After paying certain business calls, one of which appeared to be quite normal, he called at the office of a Commissioner in Lunacy. There was some dispute as to what actually occurred. Mr. Blank presumably desired to raise questions as to the propriety of much that had happened to him, but on his first arrival the Commissioner himself was not present in the office. Mr. Blank was seen by an Assistant who stated that he could not make head nor tail of what he wanted, though Mr. Blank talked incessantly.

## Not fit

When the Commissioner appeared upon the scene he interviewed Mr. Blank personally and came to the conclusion that he was not in a fit condition to remain at large. A telephone message was sent to Dr. X, requesting that a car be sent to convey the patient to the asylum, and Mr. Blank was detained in the Commissioner's Office until the car with two male attendants arrived. This actual detention during that very short period was the only possible act the responsibility for which could be held to rest upon the Commissioner personally.

From that day in 1912 Mr. Blank remained as a mental patient in various asylums until October 1921. He was periodically visited by visitors in Lunacy and examined by many doctors all of whom were of

the opinion that his further detention was justified. During the latter part of that nine-year period his condition became improved, however, and permission was given to him to call upon persons who lived in the neighbourhood, all of whom formed the opinion that his mental state was normal.

In October 1921 Mr. Blank escaped from the asylum, and remained at liberty for 14 days after which interval he could not, according to the Lunacy Laws, be retained under the original reception order. If it was desired further to detain him as a lunatic it would be necessary to have him recertified. This was never done; indeed Mr. Blank voluntarily submitted himself to further medical examination, at which he was pronounced to be sane and consequently no longer liable to restraint.

## Damages claim

Thereupon Mr. Blank determined to institute proceedings and to claim damages for the wrongful detention he had suffered and the many years of mental anguish he must have undergone. He did not bring his action against the doctors, as they were originally protected by the Lunacy Laws, but he named as defendants (i) The Commissioner who detained him at his office in London, and (ii) Dr. X who took him back to his Mental Home.

The action was tried before Mr. Justice Lush and a Special Jury and from the outset attracted enormous public interest.

Called into the witness box, Mr. Blank's demeanour was beyond reproach. He told his dramatic story of long incarceration calmly and with extreme moderation, without the slightest appearance of rancour or indignation. No one who had not heard that story could ever have imagined his sanity had once been in question. He offered himself unhesitatingly for cross-examination.

## Many witnesses

How could anyone possibly cross-examine such a man? By this time he had been pronounced by experts to be completely sane. To such curious incidents as had occurred nine years before there was the clearest answer. To a man who has suffered from the treatment of a quack doctor anything may have happened. Even the curious letter to the postal officials could be explained in the case of a man with extreme religious views who had suffered from temporary delusions. Upon one incident he was unshaken. On the day he visited the office of the Commissioner in Lunacy he was completely normal; he was able to call witnesses to prove it; and anyone who alleged the contrary was wrong.

Many witnesses were called by the defence, doctors and mental experts who had visited the asylums at which at different times Mr. Blank had been confined. All of them expressed the opinion that the detention had been justified, but their position in the witness box was very difficult. It was admitted that Mr. Blank had never been violent, and their evidence as to his mental condition was of necessity composed of generalities. The one definite point of apparent substance lay in the alleged delusions, which had from time to time been certified as continuing, but that point so far from assisting the defence was turned to ridicule by the briefest cross-examination.

## Responsibility

"One of the delusions from which Mr. Blank was stated to be suffering was that his wife had been unfaithful to him."

"And you stated in your report that the delusion was still continuing?"

"Yes."

"And continued during all these years?"

"Yes."

"Did you happen to find out whether or not his wife had in fact been unfaithful to him?"

The witness had no idea. How could a man properly be

found to be suffering from delusions upon evidence such as that? The responsibility for releasing the inmate of an asylum is very great, and the difficulty in forming a definite opinion upon his condition may be still greater, but I confess that I was much disturbed by some points of the evidence as to the different examinations made of Mr. Blank during his detention.

## Only injury

Unfortunately the sympathetic considerations which arose in the case of Mr. Blank tended to swamp the legal issues which were really fundamental to his claim for damages.

With regard to Dr. X, that gentleman had been appointed under the Lunacy Acts, which defined his duties and responsibilities. Provided he acted in good faith and honestly believed that Mr. Blank was a fit person to be detained under his care and further took reasonable precautions in his investigations, then he personally could be under no liability for that detention; and Dr. X contended that there was not and could not be the slightest evidence that he acted otherwise than in the honest belief that Mr. Blank's mind was deranged and that he took all reasonable precautions in his investigations.

With regard to the Commissioner in Lunacy, he contended that even if he was wrong in his belief that Mr. Blank was insane on that December day in 1912, the only injury that he had caused to Mr. Blank was to detain him in his office for two hours until the car from the asylum arrived, and that any damages the jury awarded should be limited to that short period of time.

## The appeal

By the time the case drew to its conclusion popular feeling was running so strongly in Mr. Blank's favour that even the learned Judge was temporarily deflected from a true interpretation of the necessary legal implications. He ruled that the jury were entitled, if they thought fit, to regard all the many years of incarceration as being damages upon that basis. He also held that there was evidence upon which the jury might find that Dr. X did not in fact take reasonable precautions to satisfy himself that Mr. Blank was insane.

With that interpretation of the law before them the jury had no hesitation as to the verdict they should return. They found against both defendants and awarded to Mr. Blank by way of damages the sum of £24,000.

It was a most unfortunate result. There was an immediate appeal to the Court of Appeal who took a different view of the law from that expressed by Mr. Justice Lush. They held that there was no evidence of lack of reasonable care having been taken, and further that any damages which would be properly payable by the Commissioner must be limited to such amount as would be attributable solely to the short detention in his office. Accordingly the action against Doctor X was dismissed entirely, and a new trial was directed as against the Lunacy Commissioner.

## In the river

Poor Mr. Blank. That was not the end of his misfortunes. The next I saw of him, was when he was sitting—a lone figure—outside the room I occupied as Attorney General, in the House of Commons. Night after night he sat there alone, and I was compelled to pass him as I went to and fro from my room. What he was doing there I never knew. He never moved and never spoke but his continued presence was more than I could endure. I sent my policeman to tell him that I found his presence to be embarrassing and to ask him not to sit there any more. He received my message very apologetically and courteously.

I never saw him again. Within a comparatively short time he was dead. His body was recovered from the River Thames. He was drowned.

**TOMORROW:**  
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WHAT'S GOING ON

by EPHRAIM HARDCASTLE

ONE of the drivers on Paris bus route No. 171 — Porte de Versailles to Pont de Sevres — is a burly cheerful man called Pierre Bernadotte.

These last few days he has proudly carried with him a letter he received under the royal seal of Sweden. It is a reply to his own note of good wishes to the new King Gustav VI.

For Pierre, the bus driver, and Gustav, the king, are cousins; both descend from the Bernadotte who was Marshal of Napoleon's Grand Army.

King Gustav V, often exchanged greetings with Pierre.

## Other Truman

OFTEN, as he walks to his office in Grandview, U.S., the District Director for Western Missouri hears people saying: "You know for a second I thought that was..." Whereupon he breaks in with "Mr. Truman. Well, it is."

For the director is Vivian Truman, the President's brother, and there is a strong resemblance between them.

Vivian has no interest in politics, rarely goes to Washington. Says he: "I've no time for it."

## Queen trumped

WITH A view to economizing on the 100 dollars (\$35 14s.) a day they have been paying for hotel suites, Egypt's Queen Nazli, her daughter Princess Fahla, and son-in-law Rihad Gali, have been searching San Francisco for a flat.

Now they have found one—three bedrooms, three bathrooms, fifty dollars a week—in a fabulous penthouse overlooking the bay.

They called in furniture-movers, painters, and decorators. But it doesn't look as if they will be able to move in.

Doormen at the penthouse do not belong to the local union. So the union ordered a picket line to march in front of it; and Queen Nazli's removal men have refused to cross the line.

Desperately, Mr. Gali invited the pickets to his housewarming—if they would only let them get in. Union head Russell Dreyer refused.

To Queen Nazli, however, Dreyer has made an offer. "You

side altogether."

## Words of Lunn

I HEAR from Lady Mabel Lunn that her husband Arnold Lunn, is in America on the last lap of his round-the-world lecture tour. He will fly direct to Murren in time for Christmas.

Lunn, the man from a green country who made aiding a great international sport, is qualified to talk on many other subjects as well. And it seems plenty of people wish to listen to him.

In Australia he was called on to speak two or three times a day.

And just recently he went to a Trappist monastery at Gethsemani, Kentucky, where the monks were temporarily released from their vows of silence in order to talk with him.

## New role

THIS is a story about a disappointed horse — the white Arab charger which was groomed for the role of carrying a triumphant Mussolini in Alexandria.

Thanks to the Eighth Army the Duke never got his ride. But, thanks to the film industry, the horse has at last won a place in history.

It is starting, in front of a chariot, in the monumental film "Quo Vadis," now nearly finished after many months' work in Rome.

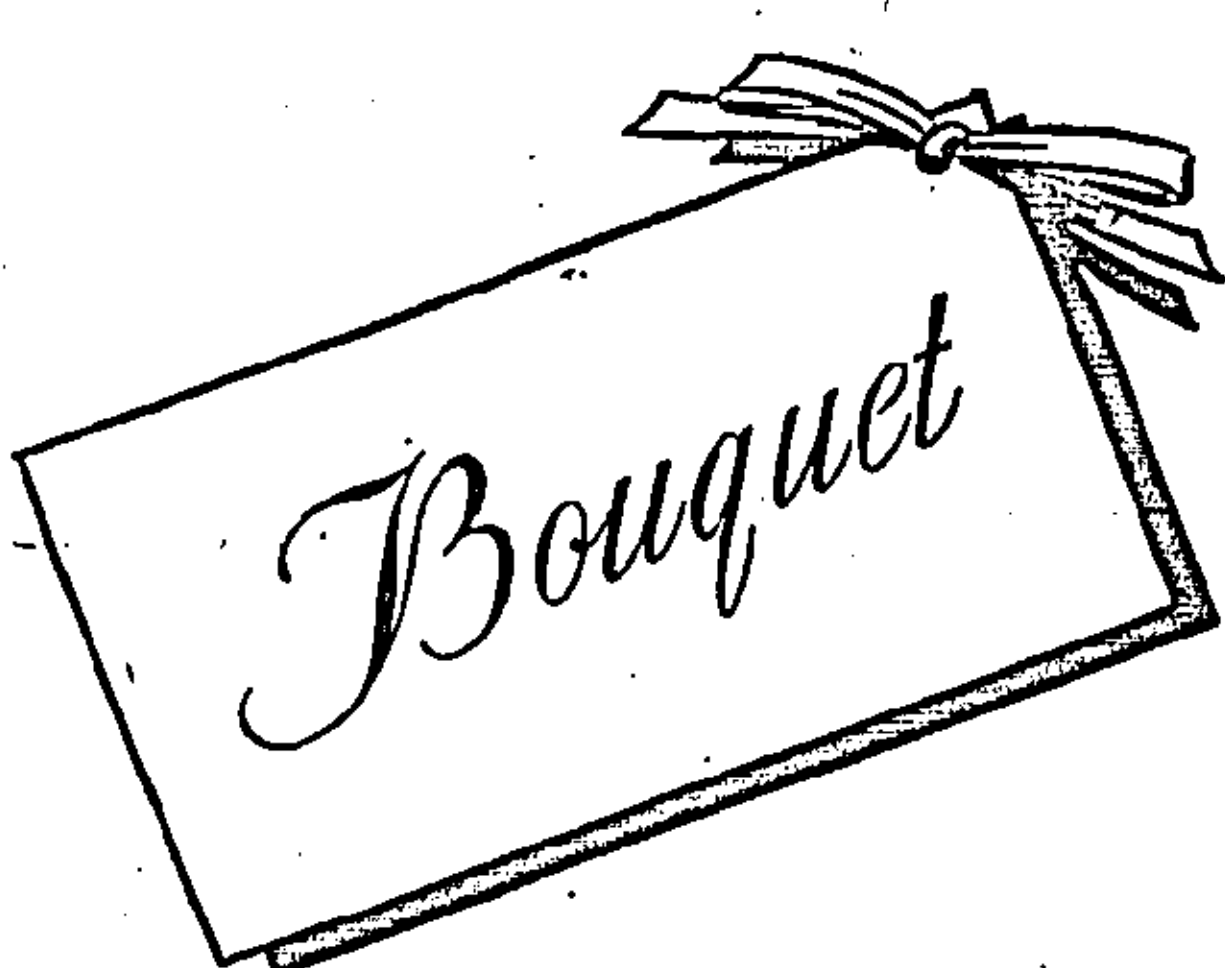
## Monty is 64

FIELD-MARSHAL LORD MONTGOMERY has entered his 64th year. By the end of it he may have laid down all active command.

For if, as seems likely, Supreme Headquarters of the Western Powers is set up at Versailles, Montgomery's five nations H. Q. at Fontainebleau will disband. GENERAL EISENHOWER will command the new formation.

I hear that "Monty" may take a hand in laying the foundations but that, as soon as "Ike" appears, he will stand aside altogether.

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# THE MURDER OF POLISH PRISONERS AT KATYN

By Winston Churchill

After repeated grumbles at the slow progress of the Tunisian campaign, and the consequent postponement of any Allied landing in Europe, Stalin appeared at the end of March 1943, in a more agreeable mood.

Thanking Mr Churchill for the film "Desert Victory," he wrote: "The film depicts magnificently how Britain is fighting, and stimulates those secondaries (there are such people also in our country) who are asserting that Britain is not fighting at all, but is merely an onlooker."

Mr Churchill had now to explain that German concentrations at Narvik and shipping demands for the Sicily operation combined to make it impossible to resume the Arctic convoys to Russia before September.

MY full explanation and accounts were not wholly unrewarded. The answer from Stalin, on April 12, was more friendly than usual.

"The speedy development of the Anglo-American advance in Tunisia constitutes an important success in the war against Hitler and Mussolini. I wish you to kill the enemy and capture as many prisoners and trophies as possible."

"We are delighted that you are not giving respite to Hitler. To your strong and successful bombing of the big German cities we add now our air raids on the German industrial centres of East Prussia. Many thanks for the film depicting the results of the bombing of Essen. This film, as well as all the other films which you promise to send, will be widely shown to our Army and population."

"The contemplated deliveries of fighters from the cancelled convoys are of great value to us. I am also very grateful for your offer to send us 60 Hurricanes armed with 40 mm. cannon."

"Our people highly appreciate the warm feelings and sympathy of the British people which have found expression in the creation of the Aid to Russia Fund mentioned by you. Please convey to your wife, who is at the head of the Fund, my thanks for her untiring activities in this sphere."

## A breach

A breach now occurred between the Soviet Government and the Polish Government in exile in London. After the overrunning of Poland by the German and Russian armies, following the Ribbentrop-Molotov agreement of September, 1939, many thousands of Poles had given themselves up to the Russians, with whom Poland was not at war, and were interned. By further Nazi-Soviet agreements many of these were handed over to the Germans for forced labour purposes.

As prisoners of officer status cannot, under the Geneva Convention, be so treated, five Soviets had in their hands 14,500 Poles of whom 8,000 were officers of the Polish Army, who were interned in three camps in the Smolensk regions. These included a considerable proportion of Polish intelligentsia, including university professors, engineers and leading citizens who had been mobilised as Polish reservists.

Until the spring of 1940 there had been intermittent news of the existence of these prisoners. From April 1940, silence descended upon the three camps. Not a single sign or trace of their occupants ever appeared for 13 or 14 months. They were certainly in Soviet power, but no letter, message, escapee, or scrap of information ever came from them.

## Became allies

When Hitler surprised the Russians by his invasion on June 22, 1941, the relations between Russia and Poland changed overnight. They became allies. Gen. Anders and other Polish generals, who had hitherto been confined under rigorous conditions, including beatings, in Russian prisons, were now washed, clothed, released, welcomed, and given high commands in the Polish forces, which the Soviets were

now rushing to fight the German invaders.

The Poles, who had long been anxious about the fate of the large group of officers in the three internment camps, asked for their release in order to join the new Polish Army, to which they would have been invaluable. About 400 officers were collected from other parts of Russia, but not one from the three camps now in German hands could ever be found. No explanation could be offered to repeated Polish inquiries by their new comrades-in-arms.

Polish leaders, who now had access to many Soviet authorities with whom they were working and who were helping them form their Army, were conscious on numerous occasions of embarrassment on the part of the Russian officials, but no news of the whereabouts of the 14,500 occupants of the three camps was ever forthcoming, and no survivor ever appeared. This naturally led to suspicion and friction between the Polish and the Soviet Governments.

## The evidence

The war rolled on. The Germans held the territory in which the camp had stood. Nearly another year passed. Early in April 1943, Gen. Sikorski (the Polish leader) came to luncheon at No 10. He told me that he had proofs that the Soviet Government had murdered the 15,000 Polish officers and other prisoners in their hands, and that they had been buried in vast graves in the forests mainly around Katyn. He had a wealth of evidence.

I said, "If they are dead, nothing you can do will bring them back." He said he could not hold his people, and that they had already released all their news to the Press.

Without informing the British Government of its intention, the Polish Cabinet in London issued a communiqué on April 17 stating that an approach had been made to the International Red Cross in Switzerland to send a delegation to Katyn to conduct an inquiry on the spot. On April 20 the Polish Ambassador in Russia was instructed by his Government to ask for the comments of the Russians upon the Germans story.

## German report

On April 13 the German wireless publicly charged the Soviet Government with the murder of the 14,500 Poles in the three camps, and proposed to hold an international inquiry on the spot into their fate. We cannot wonder that the Polish Government was attracted by this plan, but the International Red Cross announced from Geneva that they could not undertake any inquiry into the German allegations unless a corresponding invitation to do so was received from the Soviet Government.

The Germans, therefore, conducted their own investigations and a committee of experts drawn from the countries under German influence, produced a detailed report claiming that upwards of 10,000 bodies had been found in mass graves, and that the evidence of documents found on them and the age of the trees planted over the graves showed that the executions dated back to the spring of 1940, when the area was under Soviet control.

## No record

Eventually in September 1943, the region of Katyn was occupied by the Russians. After the recapture of Smolensk a committee composed exclusively of Russians was appointed to inquire into the fate of the Poles of Katyn. Their report, issued in January, 1944, claims that the three camps were not evacuated in time, owing to the rapidity of the German advance, and that the Polish prisoners fell into German hands and were later slaughtered by them.

This version implies that nearly 15,000 Polish officers and men, of whom there was no record since the spring of 1940; passed into German hands in July 1941, and were later destroyed by the Germans without a single person escaping and reporting, either to the Russian authorities or to a Polish Consul in Russia or to the Underground Movement in Poland.

When we consider the possibilities for escape which the confusion caused by the German advance and the eventual with-

drawal of the Russian guards from the camps would have offered, and when we remember all the contacts afterwards during the period of Russo-Polish co-operation, belief in this theory seems an act of faith.

I made one of my rare visits to Chartwell to spend the night at my cottage. The telephone announced that the Soviet Ambassador must see me at once and was on his way. Malsky arrived in unusual perturbation. He brought me a message from Stalin that after the hideous charges which the Polish Government in London had published and sponsored against Russia of the wholesale murder of the Polish officer prisoners, the agreement of 1941 would be immediately denounced.

I said I thought the Poles had been unwise to make or lend themselves to such accounts, but that I earnestly hoped a blunder of this kind would not entail a breach in their relations with the Soviets. I drafted a telegram to Stalin in this sense.

M. Malsky proceeded to argue the falsity of the accusation, and gave various reasons to prove the physical impossibility of the

crime having been committed by Russia. I had heard a lot about it from various sources, but I did not attempt to discuss the facts. "We have got to beat Hitler," I said, "and this is no time for quarrels and charges."

But nothing I could say or do prevented the rupture between the Russian and Polish Governments. Many inconveniences resulted from this. Anyhow, we had got a lot of the Polish fighting men and many of their women and children out of Russia. This beneficial process still went on fitfully and I continued the formation and equipment in Persia of three Polish divisions under Gen. Anders.

## At Nuremberg

In the trials of Germans at Nuremberg for war crimes the murder of the Poles at Katyn was mentioned in the indictment of Goering and others, who laid the White Book of the German investigation before the court. It was decided by the victorious Governments concerned that the issue should be

avoided, and the crime of Katyn was never probed in detail.

The Soviet Government did not take the opportunity of clearing themselves of the horrible and widely believed accusation against them and of fastening the guilt conclusively upon the German Government, some of whose principal figures were in the dock on trial for their lives in the final judgment of the International Tribunal at Nuremberg. Katyn is not mentioned in the section dealing with the treatment of prisoners of war by Nazi Germany.

Everyone is therefore entitled to form his own opinion, and there is certainly no lack of material in the many books that have been published by the Polish leaders still in exile from their country, and in particular those written by Mr Mikolajczyk, the former Polish Prime Minister, who joined the first Polish Government after the war, and by General Anders.

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MORE TOMORROW



The author of these memoirs (centre), hemedalled and with the famous cigar in his hand, seen with Mrs Churchill and Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery at the fifth Alamein reunion in London this year.

# Sitting on the Fence....by

NATHANIEL GUBBINS

Christmas. No motto like—

The Gas Board hopes you'll have good cheer.

No fuel cuts in the glad New Year.

Then he opened the last envelope and out fell a pretty pink cheque.

But it was the beginning of what may prove to be a beautiful friendship and gave a chance to reply in a seasonal spirit—

"Who's that from?" a chorus of girlish voices asked.

Dear Gas Board may your days be long

"How much is it for?" a harder, more practical note could be heard in the voices this time.

Your Christmas gay and Merry

"It's a present from The Gas Board."

With port type bottles at your board

Your Uncle Nat's voice, thick with love and emotion rang through the room like a muffled gong in a fog.

And Olde Worlde English sherry.

The cheque was passed from hand to hand. Although it promised to pay N. Gubbins no more than £2 4s. 8d. fur coats were discussed on the spot. A weekend in Paris was planned to the last detail.

May Mrs Gas and Uncle Gas And all the little Gases

Your Uncle was so overcome with amazement that he neglected his Webb sausage all it grew cold. This sort of thing had never happened to him before, except when Mr Bloodsucker, the income-tax inspector, sent him a cheque for repayment of overcharges on November, and followed it with another letter on Christmas morning saying it was all a mistake.

Enjoy their dins hooked out of this

Although the letter enclosed with the cheque was not decorated with holly leaves, it was friendly and sincere, saying it was a pleasure to refund a deposit with interest to date. No wishing you a Happy

Are you fit?

DR GUBBINS answers below some questions asked by wondering if they are fit to face the winter.

As a fat man aged 50, do you think I should be able to run up two flights of stairs without blowing like a whale?

If you can't do this without blowing like a whale, walk up. If you still blow when you walk up, move into a bungalow. If you still find it difficult to breathe or move freely in and out of a bungalow don't send for a doctor. Send for a carpenter.

At one time I kept myself healthy with a simple morning exercise. I used to bend forward with knees stiff, look between my legs at my wife in bed, and shout, "Top of the morning!" twenty or thirty times. If I do it now I get pains in the head and back and feel dizzy. What do you advise?

See a psychiatrist at once. Or, better still, try your exercise on the roof-edge of a high building with a gale blowing. One day your wife will thank me for this advice.

Mr. Chairman...

To help people like myself, whose minds become blank the moment we stand

Up to the age of 73 I could balance myself on

Divorce no crime, says judge

From NEWELL ROGERS

NEW YORK.

Should judges stop punishing the guilty party in a divorce? Does such punishment help to break up homes?

Yes, said Judge Paul Alexander tonight. And he has been Divorce Court judge in Toledo, Ohio, for 14 years.

He believes that the present marriage and divorce laws contribute to family instability. "Take divorce out of the present, nearly criminal court," he said. "Let the judge decide what is the real trouble. Let him find out what can be done to help."

"It should not be heavy-handed, ponderous, judgmental, but sympathetic, understanding, and therapeutic." Judge Alexander admits that some judges may flinch from becoming doctors of heartache instead of judges of heart-break.

He urged a go-slow on divorces for couples married less than three years.

GROVER John Blair took orders from farmers snowbound outside Washington, Ohio. Then he shovelled the snow from his small runway, took off in his light plane and delivered the goods by air-drop.

LONDON flats are being advertised in New York newspapers. For five guineas and up a week, American tourists are urged: "Enjoy your own home while in England."

DOWNHEARTED? Do the war headlines look bad? A new volume of Franklin Roosevelt's personal letters has appeared on the bookshelves. One sentence: "What a privilege it is to be alive in this particular day and age!" F.D.R. wrote it in 1942, the darkest year of the last war.

SECRET AGENTS have discovered that Communists are smuggling instructions on sabotage into America in sardine tins. The instructions are further disguised by being concealed between the covers of a pamphlet entitled "Official Football Rules." And the agents are mystified by the fact that they are printed in Spanish.

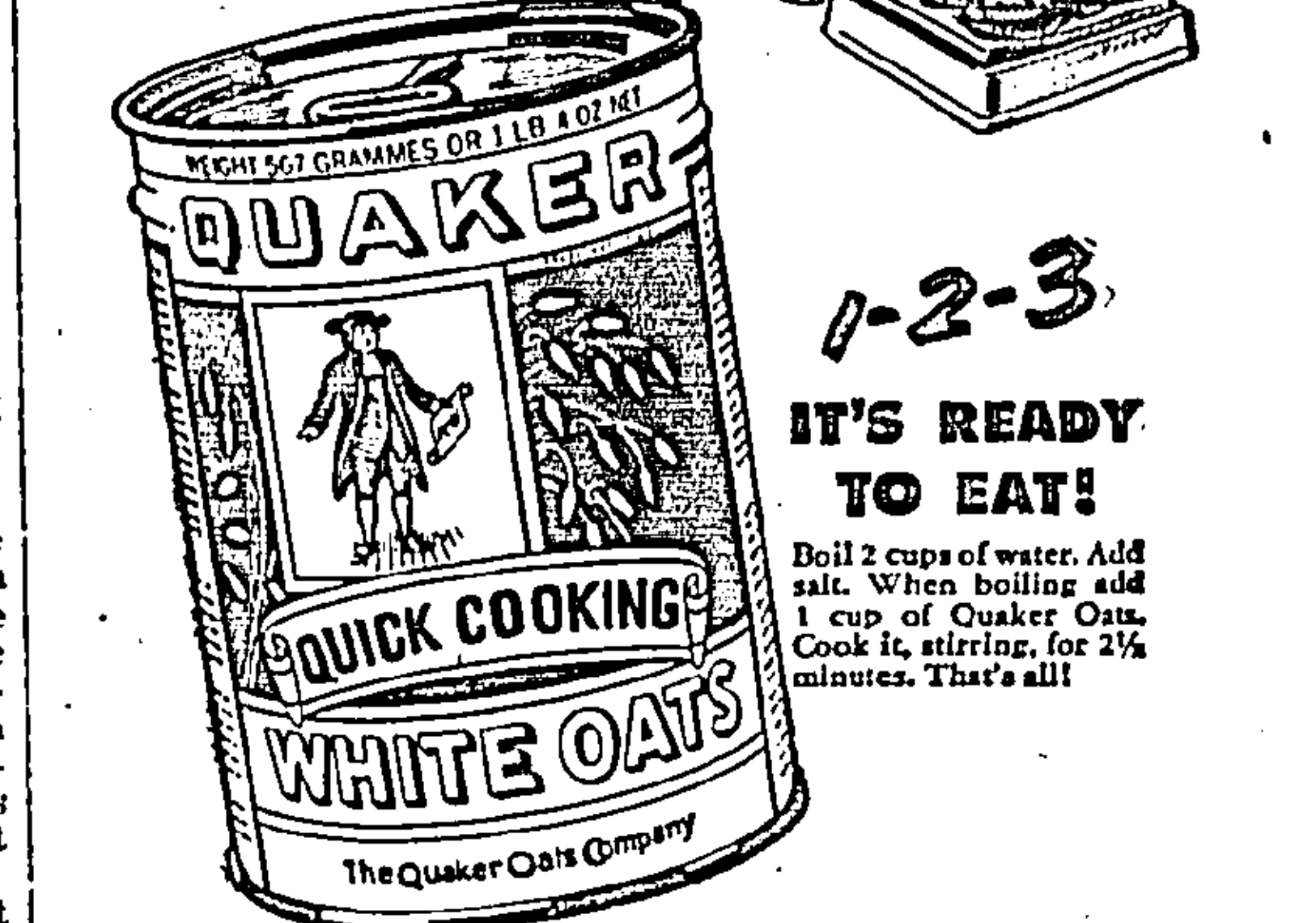
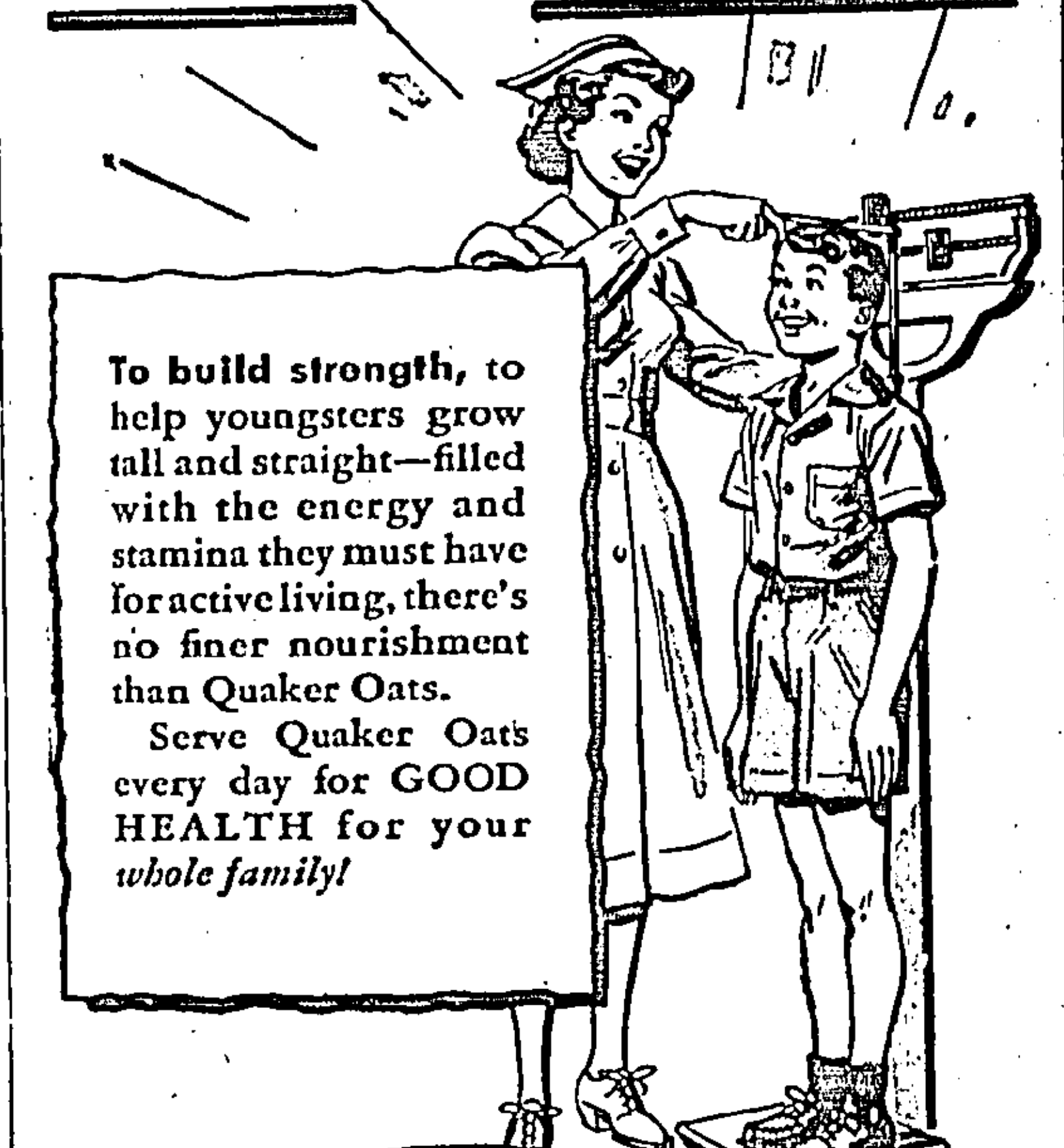
MILK has gone down about a half-penny a quart today; coffee up from 4d. to 8d. a cup. And the Government's cost-of-living index has gone up, too—to an all-time high of 174.8, prices in 1935-1939 being the 100 level. For more than 600,000 motor-car workers this means 2½d. an hour more.

SACKED in Hollywood: the bank president who lent £12,500 to gangster Mickey Cohen. The loan was out of the banker's own pocket.

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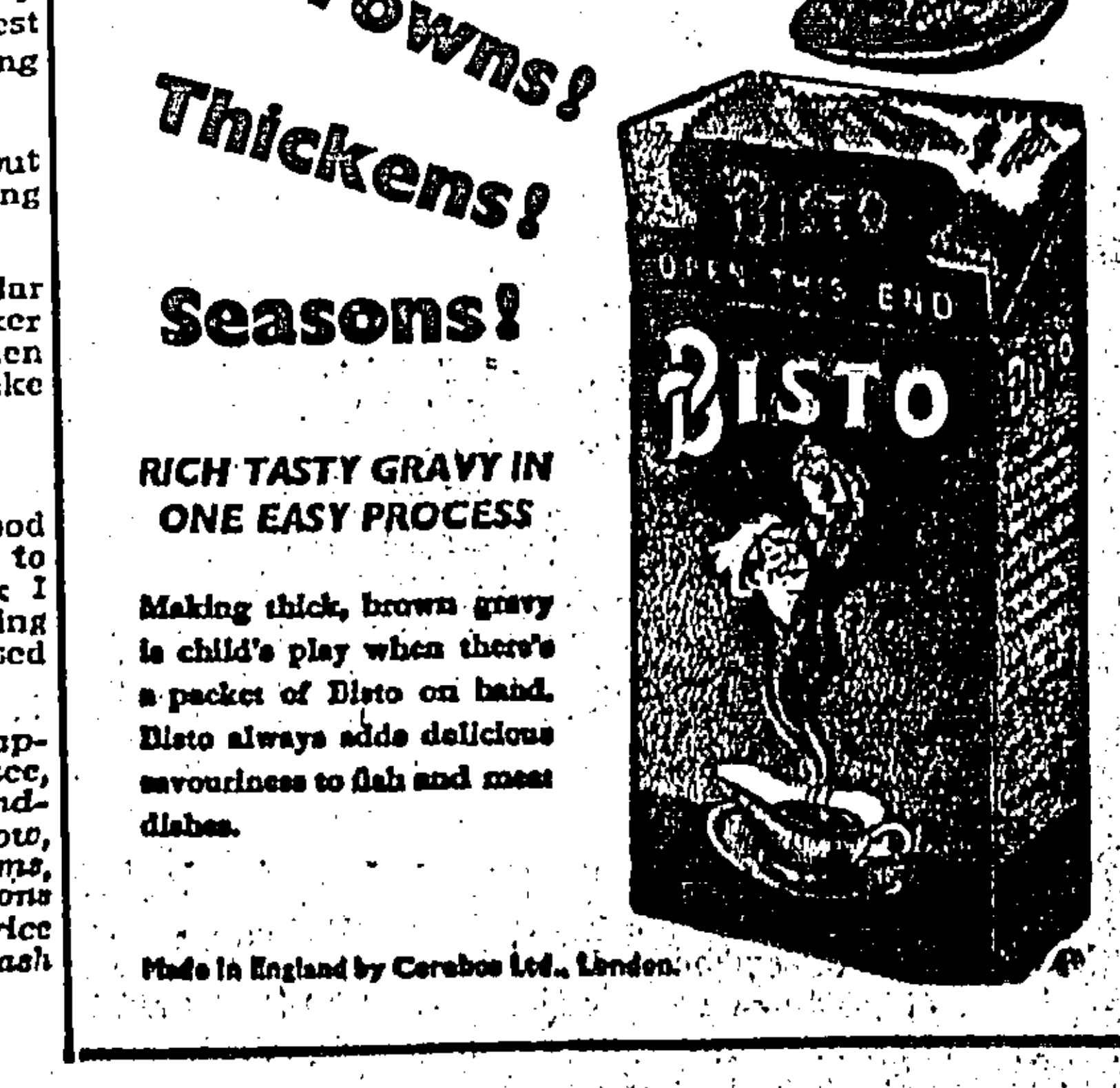
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that the Court has by virtue of  
Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance  
1897, made an Order limiting  
the time for creditors and others  
to send in their claims against the  
above estate to the 22nd day of  
January, 1951.

All creditors and others are ac-  
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Signed,  
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Oxford have now won four of the six University matches since  
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Cambridge by a goal and a penalty goal (8 points) to nothing was the  
third in succession and, like its immediate predecessors, evidence of  
superior team-work and the avoidance of serious mistakes rather than  
any overwhelming advantage on the run of the play. There were 52,000  
spectators, which was a few thousands less than last year's record at-  
tendance.

One cannot imagine many people disputing that Oxford were the cleverer  
and better-balanced side, nor that they contributed most of the good Rugby to a  
game, which, on a turf speckled with snow and terribly treacherous under foot,  
easily might have degenerated into a mere desperate struggle, however exciting it  
was bound to be as a spectacle.

The fact remained that Cambridge had to blunder twice badly for there to  
be any score at all. Admittedly, the Oxford attack, which clearly was at its  
strongest and most adroit in mid-field, was handicapped by an early injury to  
Hofmeyr, playing on this occasion at stand-off-half—his position before he became  
a full-back good enough to catch the eyes of the England selectors. Soon after  
landing a penalty goal in the opening minutes, he sustained a painful injury to the  
groin and had to leave the field for treatment.

He soon returned, but Lewis, the full-back, had to be used as a stand-off player for a while, and it was fairly clear that Hofmeyr had to nurse himself to some extent for the rest of the match. That he always was the cool and skilful pivot, as well as a valuable defender, spoke well for his courage and knowledge of the game.

## A LOST CHANCE

The wintry conditions almost immediately impressed themselves upon the play and, as in 1949, and in the self-same corner, a Cambridge fieldsman made a fatal mistake—fatal, that is, by reason of the situation it produced. Hofmeyr had tested the Cambridge full-back with a long rolling punt ahead from left to right. From the mid-field Botting picked up and, with a quick dash, sent Cannell dashing for the goal-line, which was only a few yards ahead. Cannell both stepped into touch and knocked down the corner-flag in diving over, and Cambridge were saved for a few more moments. But a penalty decision for off-side quickly followed and Hofmeyr just got the ball over the cross-bar from the "25" line at a wide angle.

A force football by the Cambridge forwards then raised the echoes, but neither they nor the individualistic backs in mid-field were more than spasmodically dangerous. The Cambridge pack, nearly all new Blues, on the whole put up the effort expected of them, without, however, ever gaining the ascendancy so vital to their side's chance, for the inferiority at centre was crushing in its general effect. Archer and N. E. Williams in the back row showed up from time to time, and one breakaway by the former might well have brought a try but for a dropped pass, but in the second half, especially, not only the Oxford back-row of highly experienced players, but men like Emma, from the front row, and Bullard, from the second, became progressively a menace to the Cambridge goal-line. Cambridge got a fair share of the ball in the first half, but far from it in the second. It was largely the gallantry and dash of Shepherd at the heels of the pack that kept Cambridge an effective fighting force in a losing battle.

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## New Plan To

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Athletes

London, Dec. 12.

British athletes are likely to  
benefit considerably when plans  
formulated by the Southern  
Committee of the Amateur  
Athletic Association come to  
full fruition.

This Committee has a project  
to assist active athletes during  
winter months and for the pur-  
pose of their scheme the  
gymnasium and shooting range  
of Chelsea Barracks are to be  
changed into an indoor training  
centre.

All possible facilities for  
training will be included and  
the throwing net from the  
Amateur Association's summer  
school at Loughborough is to  
be erected for shot-putters  
and discus throwers.

It is also hoped that a  
jumping pit will be dug in  
the shooting range for both  
high and long jumpers. There  
will be fixed blocks for start-  
ing hurdles, climbing ropes  
and for vaulting a pole and  
box.

The British Amateur Weight-  
lifters Association are also in  
the scheme, and they will  
provide a weight-lifting expert  
who will supervise the  
schedules for athletes drawn up  
by the two Associations.

While a joint administration  
will be undertaken, any coach  
will be free to follow his own  
methods of coaching with his  
own athletes. The centre opens  
early in the new year and will  
operate two nights each week  
with three hours nightly until  
end of March, so that athletes  
who take advantage of the full  
programme will have 26 nights'  
training during the winter  
months.—Reuter.

—FOOM THE "TIMES".

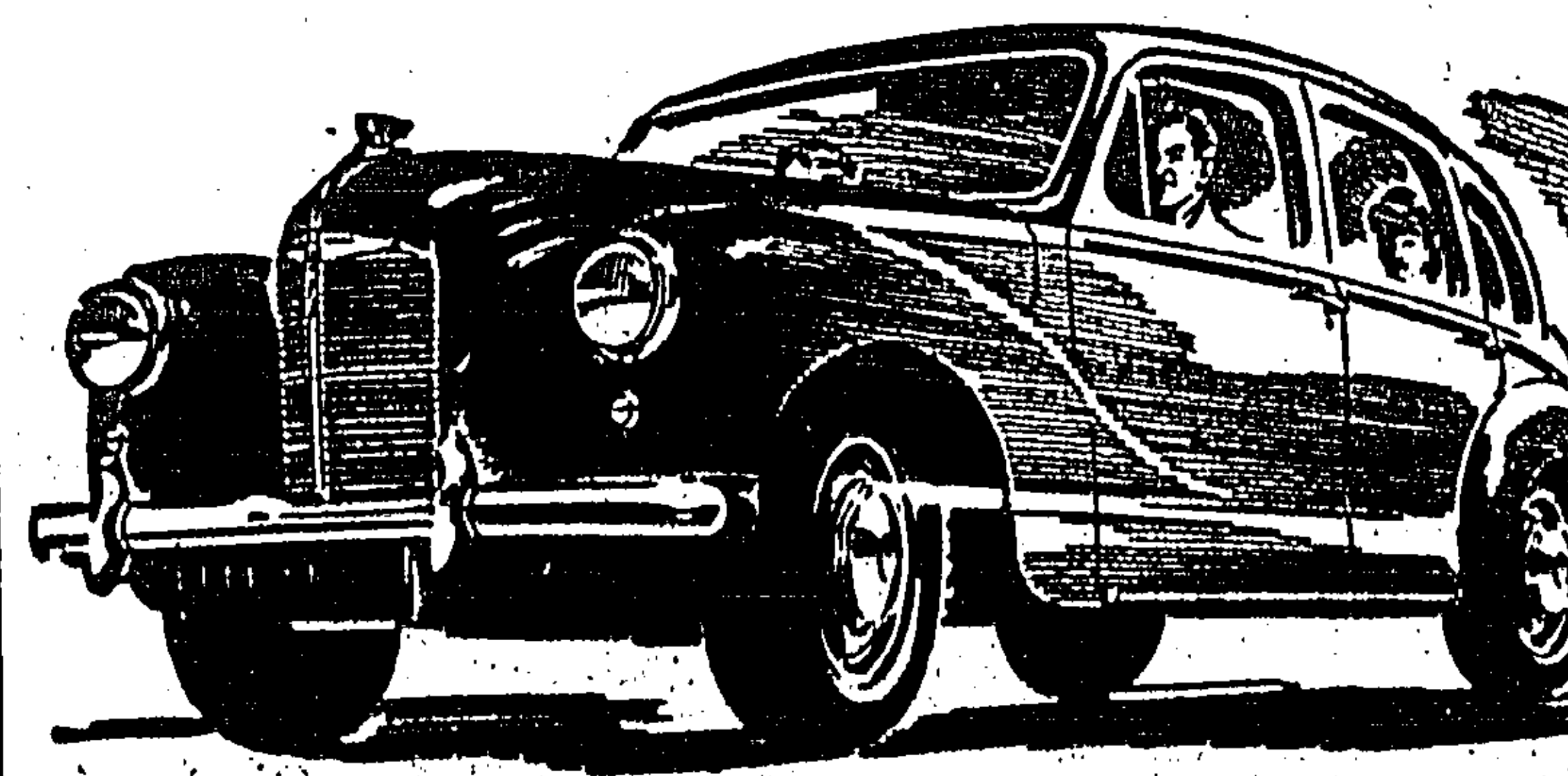
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## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

THIRTEENTH RACE MEETING

Saturday, 16th December, 1950.

There are eight races. The First Race will be run at 1.30  
p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through Office of the Treasurer's 1st floor, Telephone House,  
also tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting  
as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial Cup",  
scheduled to be run on 28th February, 1951.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Office at Telephone House,  
non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the  
Club's Branch Offices at—

5, D'Aguilar Street, Hong Kong

or

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## MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies  
MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the  
Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO  
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Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or  
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Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 including tax, for  
ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary on the  
written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be  
responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for pay-  
ment of all bills etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on  
sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurer's Comptroller Office  
will close at 11.00 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m.  
The Treasurer's Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office are  
situated at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club  
House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy  
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NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S  
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BY ORDER,

S. A. SLEAP,

Secretary.











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"TASMAN" .....	23rd Dec.	8th Jan. '51
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"RUY" .....	18th Dec.	9th Jan. '51
"BOISSEVAIN" .....	19th Jan. '51	9th Feb. '51
"TJIPANAS" .....	20th Jan. '51	

JAPAN	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"TJIPONDOK" .....	18th Dec.	18th Dec.
"RUY" .....	7th Feb. '51	22nd Dec.
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"LANGLESSCOT" .....	23rd Dec.	19th Dec.
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## RAILWAYS TAKE A BEATING

New York, Dec. 12. Too much prosperity caught up with railroad shares on the stock market. After a week-long rise, which had carried their average \$7.50 higher, rails retreated in fractions to as much as \$3.25 in Santa Fe.

The Street viewed dubiously reports from the nation's capital that President Truman will probably go on the air on Friday or Saturday to discuss a national emergency proclamation and price-wage controls. News of the proposed Presidential speech came around the midway mark in trading.

Oils in the industrial group gained in fractions to more than a point. Western Union firmed on an announcement of its first dividend declaration since April 1948.

Dow Jones averages at the end of the session stood as follows:—

50 Industrials .....	229.27
20 rails .....	73.48
15 utilities .....	39.26
40 bonds .....	102.21

—United Press.

### Wolfram Soars

London, Dec. 12. Wolfram was quoted on Tuesday at 325 to 345 shillings nominal per unit, C.I.F. European ports, compared with the previous price of 315 to 325 shillings.

Wolfram had steadily climbed in price almost without interruption during 1950. At the beginning of January, the price was 80 shillings to 95 shillings per unit. — United Press.

## Conference May Be Called To Discuss Metal Supplies

Washington, Dec. 12. A Government official told the United Press that international conferences on copper, tin, rubber and zinc will probably be called early in the New Year in an effort to assure sufficient supplies for the Atlantic nations.

The interested United States Government agencies are now discussing this subject, while consultations are in progress with Britain.

The conferences will be attended supposedly by representatives of the chief producing countries and the chief Atlantic buying nations.

The problems to be discussed will be: (1) How much of its production a country would be willing to sell to the Atlantic nations; (2) Long-term contracts, and how many years they would run; (3) Requests of producing countries for agricultural machinery, and prices for same.

**THE BEST MEANS**  
The United States Congress may be called before a supply and allocations board is formed to buy and distribute strategic raw materials among the Atlantic nations. That will be necessary because rearmament, especially in the United States, has created shortages of strategic materials.

The United States Government thinks a supply board within the North Atlantic Treaty Organization would be the best means to deal with raw materials.

The board could have a standing group composed of the United States and two or three other nations to do most of the work, just like the standing group of the military committee. The OEEC would like to handle this job, but this seemed unlikely as it could not handle stockpiling of raw materials, which is a secret military matter. The creation of an independent supply board was also under consideration, but an Atlantic supply board seemed to be most logical.

**SYSTEM NEEDED**  
A system must be worked out for securing that friendly nations which are not members of the Atlantic community would receive reasonable supplies of these materials. Later international conferences will have to be held on wool, manganese, cobalt, sulphur and possibly cotton.

The OEEC nations are anxious to have as early as possible an allocations system for wool, due to its increasingly high price.

This is not an urgent matter for the United States, however, as this country is getting the supplies it needs for its armed forces through agents at the open wool auctions in Australia and elsewhere. — United Press.

## Uncertainty Rules Cotton Trading

New York, Dec. 12. Cotton futures trading became rather slow and more of a two-sided affair. Old crop months remained under pressure while new crop months strengthened. The lopsided movement reflected continuing uncertainties over Washington developments.

President Truman was reported about to be ready to make a national emergency proclamation and an announcement of price-wage controls. Some reports suggested that the action is imminent but other reports said the President might make a radio report to the Nation on Friday or Saturday.

The talk of a possible price roll-back complicated the situation. Cotton traders were undecided, when and if prices collapsed, are imposed, whether they would apply to raw materials directly or upon textile prices. All of these uncertainties weighed on old crop months. The market opened off 20 points to up three points. Thereafter it sawsawed nervously over a range of 40 points to close 33 lower to 17 points higher. Prices closed today as follows:—

Spot .....	42.53
December .....	41.43
March (1951) .....	41.38
July .....	40.50
October .....	36.25-36.28
December .....	36.90
March (1951) .....	36.90 nominal
July .....	36.47 nominal
October .....	36.47 nominal

**NEW ORLEANS MARKET**  
New Orleans, Dec. 12. Spot .....

December .....

## Buyers Enter The Chicago Grain Market

Chicago, Dec. 12. Increased buying interest brought an active day in grains with some prices hitting new highs early in the day. The United Kingdom was reported to have bought two cargoes of corn. Holland bought one cargo of corn plus a cargo of hard wheat.

Wheat futures closed today 1/2 cent higher to 3/4 lower, corn was 3/4 higher to 1/4 lower, oats 1/2 lower to 3/4 higher, rye 1 to 1-1/2 higher and soybeans 1/2 to 1-1/2 lower.

Prices closed today as follows:—  
Wheat—price per bushel:  
Spot .....

December .....	2.30
March (1951) .....	2.35
July .....	2.40-2.40
October .....	2.35-2.35
December .....	1.75-1.75
March (1951) .....	1.75-1.75
July .....	1.75-1.75
October .....	1.75-1.75
December .....	1.75-1.75
March (1951) .....	1.75-1.75
July .....	1.75-1.75
October .....	1.75-1.75

NEW YORK FLOUR—per 200 lb. sack, \$12.00. —United Press.

### London Rubber

London, Dec. 12. Prices in the rubber futures market here closed today as follows:—  
No. 1 rubber (in cents per lb.) .....

January (1951) .....	40 1/2-40 1/2
January/February .....	40 1/2-40 1/2
February/March .....	40 1/2-40 1/2
March/April .....	40 1/2-40 1/2
April/May .....	40 1/2-40 1/2
May/June .....	40 1/2-40 1/2
June/July .....	40 1/2-40 1/2
July/August .....	40 1/2-40 1/2
August/September .....	40 1/2-40 1/2
September/October .....	40 1/2-40 1/2
October/November .....	40 1/2-40 1/2
November/December .....	40 1/2-40 1/2

### New York Metals

New York, Dec. 12. Prices in the metal market here closed today unchanged with the following exceptions:—  
Tin, Grade A (99.80 per cent or higher) New York, per lb. 140. Platinum (soft, 99.5 per cent fine) per ounce, 93 bid/95 asked. —United Press.

Wolfram, the raw material from which tungsten is derived, is of great strategic importance. The world supply position for wolfram has drastically deteriorated since China, one of the world's largest suppliers, suspended shipments some months ago.

The position was made worse when supplies from Korea, another important supplier, were cut off when the fighting began. — Reuters.

## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

The volume of business on the Stock Exchange this morning was valued at \$40,225. The half day's business and noon closing prices were as follows:—  
SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

Bankers .....	100	100	100
Commercial .....	100	100	100
Industrial .....	100	100	100
Utilities .....	100	100	100
Government .....	100	100	100
Foreign .....	100	100	100
Real Estate .....	100	100	100
Insurance .....	100	100	100
Transport .....	100	100	100
Other .....	100	100	100

## DRASTIC ACTION FORECAST

Washington, Dec. 12. Industry sources believe the United States Government will soon announce it is taking over as sole buyer of natural rubber for use in the United States, including purchases for civilian manufacturers.

For the past few years, civilian consumers were able to do their own buying. Under "Government sole buying," the United States agency entrusted with the task would conduct all purchases of rubber with rubber producers and sell to civilian consumers in the United States under an allocation system.

Final discussions on the advisability of ordering "Government sole buying" are in progress now, and it is possible that such an order would be issued later this week. Buying for defense and stockpiling may be resumed as soon as the Government completes its review of the situation and decides on the "sole" buying order. — United Press.

## Irregularity In London Tin

London, Dec. 12. The tin market closed irregular. Turnover was 115 tons, including five tons for spot. Prices closed today at the end of the official morning session as follows:—  
Spot tin, buyers .....

Spot tin, sellers .....	1.150
Business done at .....	1.150
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### Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—  
Sterling note (per £) .....

U.S. dollars (per \$1) .....	15.40
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### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

CONSIGNEES PER  
BARBER WILHELMSEN LINE  
M/S. "TUNGUS"

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. godown where it will be at consignees risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and condition of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs Goddard & Douglas, at 10 a.m. on the 15th December, 1950.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
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Agents.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1950.

### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

M/S. "TUNGUS"  
Damaged cargo at this wharf will be surveyed at 10 a.m. on December 14 and 15, 1950, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

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The latest date of posting for Christmas air mails to Great Britain, Europe and the Americas will be on Friday, December 15 at 5 p.m.

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles (by air or sea) and Parcel Post close one hour earlier than the ordinary mail where mails close on Sundays or before 10 a.m. on any other day, registered and parcel posts close at 5 p.m. on the previous day. Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office one hour earlier than the G.P.O. closing times.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13**  
Closing Times By Air  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Indo-China, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Japan, Korea, Canada & U.S.A., 11 a.m.  
Canton, 5 p.m.  
Siam, Burma, Malaya, Indonesia & Ceylon, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Philippines, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
India & Pakistan, 10 a.m.  
Japan, 10 a.m.  
Malaya, Ceylon, Madagascar, Mauritius, East & South Africa, Egypt, & N. Europe, 2 p.m.  
Formosa, 3 p.m.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14**  
Closing Times By Air  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Indo-China, French North Africa & France, 5 p.m.  
Philippines, Hawaii & U.S.A., 11 a.m.  
Canton, 5 p.m.  
Siam, Burma, Malaya, Indonesia & Ceylon, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Philippines, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
India & Pakistan, 10 a.m.  
Japan, 10 a.m.  
Malaya, Ceylon, Madagascar, Mauritius, East & South Africa, Egypt, & N. Europe, 2 p.m.  
Formosa, 3 p.m.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15**  
Closing Times By Air  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Indo-China, French North Africa & France, 5 p.m.  
Philippines, Hawaii & U.S.A., 11 a.m.  
Canton, 5 p.m.  
Siam, Burma, Malaya, Indonesia & Ceylon, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Philippines, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
India & Pakistan, 10 a.m.  
Japan, 10 a.m.  
Malaya, Ceylon, Madagascar, Mauritius, East & South Africa, Egypt, & N. Europe, 2 p.m.  
Formosa, 3 p.m.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17**  
Closing Times By Air  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Indo-China, French North Africa & France, 5 p.m.  
Philippines, Hawaii & U.S.A., 11 a.m.  
Canton, 5 p.m.  
Siam, Burma, Malaya, Indonesia & Ceylon, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Philippines, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
India & Pakistan, 10 a.m.  
Japan, 10 a.m.  
Malaya, Ceylon, Madagascar, Mauritius, East & South Africa, Egypt, & N. Europe, 2 p.m.  
Formosa, 3 p.m.



The Australian surfing season is now in full swing with the approach of mid-summer. Recently 145,000 people went to Sydney's beaches and 220 of them had to be rescued. This picture shows that even at the end of a long run, the giant wave caused a mix-up as it rolled on to Bondi beach. Life-savers rescued 20 people in a mass rescue during the morning. — AP Picture.

## Sold Dog Meat For Human Consumption

Brought before Mr Winter at Kowloon Court this morning on charges of selling dog meat for human consumption, eleven people from Siak Kip Mei village were fined sums ranging from \$60 to \$300.

DSI W. H. Summers told the court that the police carried out raids on four stalls fitted up as restaurants last night. He added that recently a great number of dogs have been missing.

In the first raid, So Choi 36, Lau Kwan 32, and Wong Kwong 36 were arrested. The first defendant was fined \$200 or two months, the second and third defendants were fined \$50 each or 21 days. Heavier sentence was passed on the first defendant as he was in charge of the stall.

The second stall was conducted by Chan Tap 23, and he was fined \$200, his foks Ng Wah 27 and Chiu Fu 24 were fined \$50 each.

Cheung Wai 21, conducting the third stall was fined \$200 while his foks Lee Kwan 19 and Ho Hei 28, were each fined \$50.

Yuen Kai 39 conducting the largest stall was fined \$300, while his foks Lee Man 41, was fined \$200 or two months because he had a previous conviction for the same offence. Approximately 30 cartons of dog meat were seized by the police.

## Posed As A PC To Evade Fare

Chiu Shek-lam, a shopfok, of no fixed abode, took a ride on a No. 4 Route bus which was heading for Queen Mary Hospital shortly after noon yesterday.

After boarding the car, he failed to tender the bus fare. However, a bus inspector who boarded the same vehicle along Queen's Road West near the Ko Shing Theatre, asked for his ticket to be inspected and was told that he was a Police-constable 887. But when he was asked to show his identity, Chiu failed to do so, and eventually he was brought back to the Police Station where he was alleged to have made the same remark that he was a Police constable.

Before Mr Reynolds at Central this morning Chiu pleaded that he was absentminded when he uttered such a remark that he was a PC, saying that he had no intention of doing so.

For evading payment of bus fare, Chiu was fined \$20 or six days and for impersonating a police officer, he was fined \$30 for two weeks.

## UNLICENSED TO TRADE

### Skipper Of Trawler Fined \$250

For breach of his licence conditions, So Shing-tai, master of fishing trawler (shrimp) No. F1108HS, was fined \$250 by Mr T. B. Low at the Marine Court this morning. So was convicted for a similar offence in January and fined \$100.

According to Sub-Inspector L. G. Nippard, defendant's trawler was intercepted by the Marine Police in North Point on Tuesday morning and eight head of cattle were found on board.

The trawler came in from Swabue and she was not licensed to carry cargo, Inspector Nippard added.

To ascertain whether the trawler is suitable to carry cargo, or not, the Magistrate summoned Mr C. Brett, Senior Marine Officer, for his testimony.

Mr Brett said that had defendant applied for a trading licence, he would have been granted one. As a Class V craft, she would be allowed to carry cargo.

Defendant, pleading guilty, said that he was instructed by the owner to ferry the cattle to Hongkong. He was not conversant with the regulations and did not know that the trawler was not supposed to carry any cargo.

### CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS

1. Brass is an alloy consisting mainly of copper and zinc. 2. Scotland. 3. Mohammed Reza Pahlavi. 4. King of Kings. 5. The B. America genus "Rhesus" has two. 6. A believer in Mohammedanism.

# Bandsman's Evidence In Manslaughter Trial

## "Heard A Scream... Saw Somebody Going Over The Top Of Railings"

"When I had nearly reached the bottom of the staircase, I heard a kind of scream, so I looked around and saw somebody going over the top of the railings," said Bandsman Eric Sidwell, a trumpet player in the dance band of HMS Jamaica, when he gave evidence before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr E. H. Williams, at the Criminal Sessions this morning at the continuation of the manslaughter trial.

Accused is Gordon Frederick Howard, 30, Chief Petty Officer of HMS Jamaica, who is charged with the manslaughter of Able Seaman David McManus, 26, diving instructor of HMS Tamar, on June 18. Howard is alleged to have thrown or by some means caused McManus to fall over a staircase and drop a distance of about 18 feet on the night of June 10-11, after a social function at the Royal Naval Dockyard Police Club had concluded. McManus died on June 18.

When the trial resumed this morning, R. A. Jones, Admiralty Police Officer, was recalled at the request of the Jury, who asked if he could give the lapse of the time from the moment he first saw McManus going over the railings of the staircase to the time he himself reached the body lying on the Dockyard compound. Jones said no more than two minutes elapsed.

In that time he had ushered his guests back to the guest-room, telling them to wait for him as an accident had occurred, and then dashed down the staircase himself.

Det. Sub-Inspector C. Pope, formerly of Eastern CID, said he saw Howard with Sub-Inspector Laurell in Eastern Police Station about 1.30 a.m. on June 11. Howard had a slight abrasion under the right eye, his breath smelt of alcohol, he appeared to be a little unsteady but was still capable of standing on his own and had full control of his faculties to a certain extent, he said. He did not see any blood on the abrasion. After that he took accused to Queen Mary Hospital and after accused had gone through a medical examination he was later handed over to the custody of a naval shore patrol.

Bandsman Eric Sidwell, RM, was the next witness. A trumpet player in the Jamaica's band, he said the band was playing on the evening of June 10 at the Dockyard Police Club. It was led by Sgt. Glasspole, RM, who was also the pianist. Other members of the band included F.C. Tibbalt, John Quayle, C.A. Albred and a man named Richardson.

**PASSED REMARKS**  
"I first saw Howard about 11.30 p.m.," said Sidwell. "He was sitting in a chair that had been occupied by Richardson. At that time the band was not playing. Richardson returned and spoke to Howard, but I did not hear what was said. Howard remained where he was. Then Sgt. Glasspole spoke to him and Howard left the chair. He went over to sit by the piano, and Glasspole returned to his own seat at the piano. The band recommenced playing. I heard accused pass a few nasty remarks while we were playing and also afterwards. He had asked for a certain piece of music which we did not have. His remarks were directed to the quality of the music and to the playing, but I did not hear him say anything about the players. I noticed nothing unusual about his appearance except that he appeared to be slightly under the influence of drink. I formed that opinion mainly from his speech, the sound of his words, and from his walk."

"We played several tunes and the next thing I heard a crash and I saw Glasspole lying among the drums. Accused was standing near him. Glasspole stood up and spoke to accused. He seemed to be very angry. Howard then disappeared somewhere."

**KIND OF SCREAM**  
"As I was leaving the Club, I saw Howard again. He was at the top of the staircase with McManus. There were a few people on the verandah. Howard and McManus were about three or four steps down from the top when I passed them. I did not pay very particular attention to them. When I had nearly reached the bottom of the staircase, I heard a kind of scream, so I looked around and saw somebody going over the top of the railings. Standing on the stairs was the accused. He was the only person I noticed. I then ran around to where the body lay, and recognised it to be McManus. Sgt. Glasspole was already there."

Sidwell added that he had seen McManus, whom he knew, at the dance earlier in the evening, but had noticed nothing unusual about his demeanour.

Cross-examined by Mr Wright (for the defence), Sidwell said most of the members of the band had been drinking the evening. When he first saw Howard lying around, but he did not notice whether anyone in the band offered these drinks to either Howard or his companion, CPO McCarthy. Neither did he notice whether the two men helped themselves to the drinks. When he saw accused, Howard was not then drinking.

**NOT PAYING ATTENTION**  
Mr Wright: Just before you heard the crash and saw Glasspole on the floor, did you hear the accused say anything?

Witness: No.  
At any time did you see the accused being pushed off the seat on which he was sitting?

No.  
Were you paying any particular attention at that time?—I was paying no attention at all.

Sidwell added that when he saw Howard and McManus going down the stairs, it appeared to him that McManus was helping the accused down. He thought McManus had his arms around Howard's shoulder.

Asked who he thought had screamed, Sidwell replied he thought it was McManus.

Mr Wright: Two people who were nearer than you both said

## Detective Describes Arrest Of Alleged Opium Traffickers

Evidence of the part he played in effecting the arrest of the accused was given by Detective Crown Sergeant Chung Hung when he testified before the Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice Gould, in the Criminal Sessions this morning, on the third day's trial of five men accused of procuring opium, selling opium and possession of 1,055 taels of the drug.

Accused were Hon Sai-king, 44, import and export merchant; Fan Fong-chol, 44, unemployed; Yeung Chung-ming, 34, unemployed; Tang Ping-lin, 35, accountant; and Tang Kwai-chuen, 41, company manager.

First accused was defended by Mr Percy Chen, instructed by Mr A. S. K. Lau, Mr A. J. Clifford appeared for the third accused, on the instructions of Mr D. L. Strellett, and the fourth and fifth accused were represented by Mr Brooks A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr F. J. Griffiths. Second accused was not legally represented.

Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Crown Counsel, prosecuted. Mr J. Johnston, Director of Criminal Intelligence, assisted by Insp. R. Smith, was present for the Police.

A Jury of five men and two women was empanelled.

**MAKES INTRODUCTION**  
Detective Crown Sergeant Chung Hung said on September 6 he introduced Wong Chung-ming, working under Police instructions, to a man named Chan, pseudo manager of a Chinese firm in Des Voeux Road, West, and there gave them certain instructions.

The same afternoon he saw third accused enter the firm. When third accused re-emerged, witness said he trailed him to Lee Yuen Street West and finally to a restaurant in King's Road.

Some 10 days later, he saw third accused call at the firm in Des Voeux Road, West. Later the accused left with the pseudo manager and witness followed them to an address in Wyndham Street.

Next morning, he and another detective followed a party comprising Wong, Chan, third accused and another detective to the residence of first accused, witness said. A little later, the same party, with the exception of third accused, left the premises with a parcel which they took to the residence of the Director of Criminal Investigations.

**SAW BAGS DROPPED**  
He was near the vicinity of Java Street the same afternoon, witness continued, when he saw Wong and two other detectives go up to the residence of first

they heard no scream. I suggest it was pure imagination on your part when you say you heard a scream.

Witness: If I did not hear the scream, I would not have turned around.

What sort of a sound was it? Was it a hoarse shout, or a piercing scream?—It was more like a shout.

Replying to the Jury, Sidwell said he thought McManus was lying about two feet from the side of the staircase, when he reached the body, but he could not be sure.

The trial is proceeding.

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



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### INTELLIGENCE TEST

We have to "solve" a right-angled triangle. Call the distance G-O, p miles; the distance G-W, m miles; the distance W-O, n miles. Hence:  
 $(p+m)^2 + (p-m)^2 = 4(p^2 + m^2) - (p-m)^2$   
So the sides of the triangle are in the ratio, 65:141:158.  
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